# Rate demands halted by town hall staffs

vn hall staff are starting immediate industrial on that will halt the collection of rates. The ional and Local Government Officers Assoion is also instructing the rest of its 500,000 nbers in local authorities to take similar ctions which could, among other things, stop iter flights from municipal airports.

# 'ay dispute threatens holiday flights

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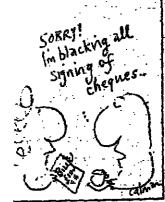
cluded in a wide-ranging sanctions by the onal and Local Giverno cers Association (Nalgo) is disruption of threat of disruption of er holiday flights from incial-airports.

te programme of action was nunced by the union yester-after the breakdown of talks local authority employers comparability payments

r Alan Jenkinson, Nalgo anal officer, said last night: think this action will have most dramatic effect on government of any indusaction that has taken

Jenkinson said that in 2 areas Nalgo members had uped the gun" and started action, which will mean that nillion domestic ratepayers not be receiving their rate ands on time next month. the last financial year estic and industrial rateers contributed more than 30m to town half funds. aving rate demands would serious money problems local councils.

her action to be taken imintely by Nalgo members ides refusal to cooperate outside consultants, con-tors, and agency staff; a day national strike is planto take place next month;



air traffic controllers at muni-cipal airports are to be balloted on taking industrial action over 100 local authority white Easter, and ballots are also over two workers, aimed at halting collection of rates, could to local councils facing municipal abattoirs, where the union represents meat inspec-

tors.
In addition the union's executive is recommending further restrictions on obrmal working, including a ban on all non-contracted overtime, withdrawal of cooperation with councillors, and refusal to supply statistical reports to central government, and process local authority applications for Government

grants. The overtime ban could be damaging to many councils at this time of the year, when much overtime is worked by staff preparing year-end reports and accounts.

and accounts.

A strike by air traffic controllers would affect the smaller municipal airports, the largest of which, Luton, bandles many parkage holiday flights, Other airports that could be affected include. Printed I seek Printford. clude Bristol, Leeds-Bradford,

Teesside and Southend.
Nalgo represents about 480,000 town hall staff, ranging from junior typists to semor officers, with four other unions representing between them about 70,000 workers. Mr Jen-kinson said his union was working in close cooperation with the other unions and was hoping for their support in the action. He said the union believed

that the employers had "ratted" on last July's pay agreement, which gave a 9.4 per cent pay increase and a commitment to implement on January 1. the findings of a joint compar-ability study of the pay of employees in private industry. The talks broke down after the employers offered an average 8 per cent or comparability, against a union claim for 14

Mr Jenkinson said the employers appeared to be hooked on two arguments their ability to pay and a re-cent arbitration award of 9.4 per cent to local authority chief executives. He claimed that the employers thought they should not offer more than this award, An employers' spokesman said last night that their offer would add about £160m to the local authorities pay bill, while meeting the mions claim in full would add £280m to the pay bill.

## Steel peace talks make slow progress By Paul Routledge

Peace talks aimed at ending the national steel strike, which today enters its eleventh week. made disappointingly slow pro-gress on their second day yes-terday.

After nine hours the British

Steel Corporation and leaders of a 13-member trade union consortium had not got down to talking about the costs of a new joint package put forward by strike leaders.

The delay suggests that ar early settlement of the longest national strike in recent British industrial bistory is not

seriously in prospect.

The unions are holding our for an 18 per cent settlement and the militant blastfurnaceand the miniant manifulates men are understood to have threatened to walk-out if negotiations do not produce an acceptable new offer

Detailed talks on the unions' compromise plan went on all day before the question of pay tise leads was reached and an

rise levels was reached and an adjournment until later today was expected.

The two sides were arguing, at times with some bitterness, about the value of trade union promises on job flexibility, local productivity bargaining, de-manning in the steelworks, and maining in the steelworks, and
the establishment of national
wage-bargaining machinery in
the industry.

While the talks took place at
BSC headquarters, the strike
broadsheet of the main union
the lines and Steel Trades Con-

the Iron and Steel Trades Confederation (ISTC), accused the ocrporation of using public funds to keep the strike going and finance big purchases of foreign steel for its British customers.

In the ISTC strike paper, Steelworkers' Banner, the union said: "It has already been admitted that ESC has lost over £450m since the strike started-far more than the extra £40m is would cost to mak ea reasonable settlement in line with the unions compromise proposals. "BSC are also managing to find the wherewithal to finance huge purchases of foreign steel for their United Kingdom cus

tomers.
"How much this steel is costing and how much is being spent in order to sneak it past our pickets is anybody's guess. Some steel imports are being flown in rahrough Heathrow airport." airport.

The corporation last night admitted that it was buying in some foreign steel, but argued that that was customary prac-tice during an industrial dis-pute to meet contractual

The ISTC paper went on:
It is obvious that the corporation is receiving large injections of public funds to help it undermine the steel strike. The sky's the limit when it comes to strike breaking."

However both the Govern-ment and the BSC had gravely underestimated the determina tion of steel workers, it said. They cannot believe even after 10 weeks, that steel men will

not crack.

"But having gone this far, and having gained their second wind, steel workers would endure another 10 weeks on strike if necessary rather than submit to Scholey (chief executive of BSC) and Joseph (Secretary of State for Industry)".

Other steel news, page 2



Women medical students, dressed as suffragettes, chained themselves to the gates of the Senate House of Loudon University yesterday protesting at the

proposals in the Flowers Report to reduce London's medical and dental schools from 34 to six (writes Nicholas Timmins). More than 300 students,

backed by senior staff, from the medical schools of the Royal Free, King's. Westminster and Middlesex hospitals sang and waved banners.

They emptied a coffin of flowers and trampled on them, burnt a copy of the report, and climbed on the Senate House portico to chalk Save our Schools " slogans

The Royal Free women dressed as suffragettes

# only given four posts in Cabinet

From Nicholas Ashford

Mr Robert Mugabe, formally appointed Prime Minister this afternoon by Lord Soames, the Governor of Southern Rhodesia, today completed the formation of a Government which will take over the running of the country when Zimbabwe becomes independent.

The Government comprises 23 portfolios, two of which have been given to Europeans and four to members of Mr Joshua Nkomo's Zapu Party. There are also 13 deputy ministries, all but two of which have been given to members of Mr. Mugabe's own Zanu Party.

Although the Government is designed to be broadly representative of the population as a whole, its composition is weighted in favour of Zanu which won 57 out of the 80 common roll seats in last common roll seats in last month's general election. Apart from Mr Nkomo, who is given the key portfolio of Home Affairs, the three other ministers from his party have been given relatively minor posts. Similarly, among the deputy ministers the two Zapu representatives have been given the two most junior posts. two most junior posts.

As expected, Mr David Smith,

Minister of Finance in the previous Administration headed by Bishop Abel Muzorewa, has been given the Commerce and Industry portfolio. The other white minister is Mr Denis Norman, President of the (white) Commercial Farmers' Union, who becomes Minister of Agri-

The appointment of whites to head two important economic ministries is designed to retain ministries is designed to retain the confidence of the European community, particularly in the business and agricultural sectors. Mr Norman will be primarily responsible for the

# Nkomo men UN mission refuses to report on Shah until hostages visited

From Michael Leapman

New York, March 11
Dr. Kurt Waldheim, the
Secretary General, affirmed
here today that the United Nations mission to Tehran would not issue any report unless it was eventually able to see the American hostages.

Although the five commis-sioners will return here tomorrow for consultations, Dr Waldheim emphasized that their work had been suspended rather than terminated and that the second phase of the operation was about to begin.
After being briefed by them tomorrow, "we shall decide

how to proceed further". he said. "The time will come when we shall solve this question. It is just a question of

Reports from Tehran say that the young Iranians holding the hostages will consider releasing them only after the commission them only after the commission has issued its report on alleged crimes by the former Shah. But Dr Waldheim said: "For the time being there will be no report—I want to make that crystal clear—since the commission was unable to fulfil all aspects of its work and could not see the hostages."

In an apparent attempt to deflect criticism of United Nations handling of the matter, he added: "It is important for you to know that all the steps that have been taken by me to send the mission to Tehran were con-sidered and discussed with the two governments and they fully supported it.
I feel encouraged by the

reaction on both sides. The Iranian authorities have made constructive statements expressing their readiness to continue the effort.

"But there is a power struggle in Iran. It is clear that the views of the Government of Iran do not coincide with the views of the students in the Continued on page 6, col 5 | compound. We have this prob-

lem and this in one of the reasons the commission

Appealing directly to reporters, he said: "Please have patience. This is an honest attempt. Never in my whole career was I trying so hard to achieve a resolution of such a delicate matter." He went on: "Has anybody who crincizes us offered a better alternative man the one I have offered with the commission? I feel sorry hat this development means a further delay but nobody has offered

a bener alternative." Tony Allaway writes from writes from Tehran: The United Nations commission beat an ignominious retreat from Tebran today, having failed to break the crisis between Iran and the United

In spite of last-minute pleading by Mr Sadeq Qotbadeh, the Foreign Minister, to prolong their stay, the commission left Tehran at 8.10 am on a flight for Zurich, all but admitting their trip had been

a failure. Behind them, the 49 American hostages in the occupied embassy whom the commission never managed to see, awoke to their one hundred and twentyninth day of captivity, probably unaware of the fuss that has raged in the past week around

their heads.

It now looks almost certain that no fresh moves can be made to effect their release until late April, when an as yet unelected Parliament is expected to meet. The Parliament has been entrusted by Ayatollah Khomeini with the task of making a decision on the hostages.

The ruling Revolutionary Council was said to be discuss-ing the commission at its meeting tonight, but it was difficult

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# President Zia said to have crushed Yugoslav coup attempt by army officers

By David Watts

President Zia ul-Haq of Pakistan crushed an attempted coup by some of his fellow army officers last week, according to reports reaching London yester-day. The reports were denied by Pakistani officials and by the London embassy.

Detailed information on the attempt was hard to verify but it appears that at least three generals and 18 other officers were arrested last Tuesday and Wednesday and it is understood that autong those held was Lieutenant General Muhammad Iohal, the deputy chief of staff Iqbal, the deputy chief of staff of the army. Other senior offi-cers held were Major-Generals Saehir Husain and Abbasi. The reported arrest eneral Igbal makes

attempted coup the most serious challenge to General Zia's rule since he seized power after fraudulent elections under the late President Zulfikar Ali Bhutto. It throws into question the reliability of Pakistan as an ally of the United States and the West in its confrontation with the Soviet Union over Alghanistan. Washington has recently sought to build up Pakistan as a military power to counter Soviet expansionism.

It is understood that those involved in the coup attempt were led by a retired infantry officer, Major General Tajmal Husain Malik, now said to be held in the central jail in

General Zia has never been a popular leader, even among his army colleagues, and while his army colleagues, and while there seems to have been no single reason for his fellow officers' disaffection to boil over at this time, sources in London indicate that it was General Zia's rejection of an American military aid package last week which sparked the unrest.

General Zia called the original American offer of aid, worth \$400m (£180m) "peanuts" as his military regime basked in the centre of world attention as the country on the "front-line" with the Soviet Union. General Zia believed that the Americans were ready to give him practically anything he wanted, according to the sources, and consequently drove home the message that £180m worth of military equipment was nothing compared with the task facing his army. Expectations in the army ran high at the prospect of getting the first sophisticated military

equipment from the United States since 1965.

traditional enemies across the border in India, is in a woeful state. Equipment is a mix of supplies from Britain, America, China, the Soviet Union and Sweden—a logistic nightmare. It's main battle tank, the M48, dates from the early 1950s and is no match for the weapons deployed by the Soviet Union in Afghanistan or that in the Indian Army's inventory. The Pakistanis have been repeatedly rebuffed in their attempts to get more modern equipment while India has been able to

massive superiority in tanks are outdated F86 Sabre and MiG19 aircraft so when America laid down stringent conditions to the £90m of military aid and £90m of economic aid the Pakistan army split into roughly two factions; those who felt the offer was humiliaring and should be rejected and those who felt tat the offer must be taken at any price to rescue the army from its ill-litting uniforms and embarrassingly poor equipment.

Pakistan's answer to India's

#### leaders plea for unity From Dessa Trevisan Belgrade, March 11 The army, compared to its

Yugoslav leaders met in an emergency session today and appealed for national unity as the doctors continued to struggle to prolong President Tito's life.

that President Tito's condition, which declined critically last weekend, remained grave, Today's meeting of Yugoslavia s state and party presidencies suggests that the Yugoslav leaders are preparing the nation for what now looks like Marshal Tito's death. Members of the two presi-

resist any threat to the country's independence,

### rchbishop urges thletes to oycott Olympics

Archbishop of Canterbury has advocaa boycott of the Olympic Games ause of the Afghanistan crisis and the ause or the Arganistan crisis and the using the feature of leaders of the human rights wement in Moscow. He said he felt rish athletes would not go to the Olyms. Meanwhile the British Olympic octation says it still needs £400,000 make up the £1m to send a full team to Comes.

#### GB on spy alert

KGB general has warned Russians that West is busy rectuiting spies to find more about the country's economic aknesses. They also try to undermine ity and discredit from within the rievements of socialism, the general eges. The KGB call for vigilance ncides with the nightening of internal urols in preparation for the Moscow Page 6 \_\_\_ Page 6

#### ody found on tip

man remains discovered on a rubbish near Belfast may be those of Mr Thomas dermayer, the German industrialist and norary consul, who disappeared after norary consul, who disappeared after ng kidnapped six years ago. Identity ses were sought by pathologists and ensic experts who examined the nains which had been uncovered by age 2 Page 2 chanical digger

### :.fghans' 'gratitude

e Soviet Army newspaper has published norts and photographe orts and photographs to reassure diers bound for Afghanistan that they get a warm welcome from villagers d tribesmen. The attitude of "all honest to the troops was one of hospitality and profound Page 7 atitude '

#### BC orchestras' future Philip Sidey, chairman of the Royal

levision Society, calls for the setting up an independent body to take over the BBC orchestras to safeguard their ture. It would be jointly financed by the iC and the commercial television and - dio contractors.

#### Mr Reagan crificizes former President Ford

President Carter and Mr Reagan are clear favourites to win all the southern presidential primaries in Florida, Georgia and Alabama. Mr Bush said he would like to finish "respectably" in Florida. Mr Reagan has criticized former President Ford for claiming he (Mr Reagan) could not win the presidential nomination

#### 'Trade-off' denied

A Western resolution in the United Nations Human Rights Commission expressing concern over Dr Andrei Sakharov, the Soviet dissident scientist, has been abandoned in favour of a "compromise proposal adopted without a vote. The United States delegate denied a Peruvian allegation that there was a superpower trade off over a Soviet draft resolution alleging rights violations in Northern Ireland. Page 7

#### Thatcher TV success:

The force of Mrs Thatcher's personality, rather than what she said, was what most impressed viewers of her French television broadcast on Britain's role in Europe. In a country which believes that a woman cannot have a strong political instruct and remain feminine, the Prime Minister appears to have convinced her audience that such a combination is possible Page 5

#### ATV is criticized

ATV has been accused of stage-managing an act of damage by children for a programme. The chief executive of Nottinghamshire County Council complained in a letter to ATV that he believed a filmed sequence was in breach of the Indepen-dent Broadcasting Authority Act Page 2

#### M25 case fails

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Miss Lesley Lovelock, a secretary failed in the High Court in an attempt to quash two compulstory purchase orders on Green Belt land needed for the M25 London outer orbital motorway. Page 5

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#### **Opposition combines** against Mrs Gandhi

Opposition parties in the Indian Parliament have combined to put pressure on Mrs Gandhi's Government. The entire opposition in the Lok Sabha walked out of the budget session after the Speaker rejected adjournment motions relating to prite rises and attocities against Harijans. In the Upper House there were protests against the dissolution of nine state assemblies Page 8

stations, an economic expert claims disposed unit, lost his appeal

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## **British Shipbuilders** wins £50m orders

British Shipbuilders has won orders worth about £50m. They involve the building or conver-sion of five ships and will bring much-needed work to yards in the North-East, Clydeside, the south coast of England, and Northern Ireland. Despite the relief at winning

the orders against strong competition from overseas, the state-owned group is unlikely to make a profit on them. The surplus it can expect to earn on the one naval craft will be swallowed up by losses incurred on the four merchant ship orders. BS, which will make losses of almost \$100m in the year end-ing in April, does not cover costs on merchant ship orders,

in common with virtually every other European builder. How-ever, the present contracts, which extend the merchant ship forward order book to £570m, will provide work for the core yards around which the slimmed-down industry is being created in preparation for the expected improvement in mar-

ket conditions next year. Government assistance under the terms of the Industry Act is being sought for the four merchant ship orders. Smith's Dock of Middles-

borough has signed a £25m contract with Geest Industries, of Spalding, to build two 435,000 cubic feet refrigerated cargo vessels for delivery in the second half of 1981. This will provide work for 1,500 men on Teesside, for at least 18 months. Intervention fund assistance has been sought.

Govan Shipbuilders on Clyneside has won an order against compension from Japan and other European yards to "reother European yards to "re-engine" two 29,000 deadweight "Encounter Bay" class con-tainer ships to diesel power for Overseas Containers.

.The engines will be supplied by Harland and Wolff of Belfast, and the total value of the contract is put at more than Elom.

Finally, Vosper Thorneycroit (UK) is to build a 56-metre fast partol craft for the Sultanate of Oman at its Portchester yard,

in Hampshire.

Mr John Parker, the BS marketing director, said: "This is a very good day for BS, following so closely on the successful conclusion of our national wage settlement. I believe our success reflects the growing confidence that shipowning customers have in our yards. This has been largely due to the big improvement in industrial relations within the industry".

Time lost through stoppages in Hamoshire.

Time lost through stoppages is at an all-time low, and less than one-third of the national average. Mr Parker added that BS.

which last week was criticized for rejecting the opportunity of building an £8m car carrier, was now two-thirds of the way towards achieving its target of merchant ship orders. This is the number required if BS is to provide secure em-

levels in its core yards up to mid-1981. BS intends reducing its mer-chant shipbuilding workforce from 28,000 last September to 18,000. However, it is hoped that jobs for up to 6,000 will be found in naval shipbuilding

or offshore work. The group is optimistic that the merchant shipbuilding market is levelling out. New orders taken are almost equal to orders being completed. Never-theless, the forward book, at £570m, is still about four times lower, in real terms, than in when orders stood at ,122m. Tonnage being built the merchant yards is still per cent that of the early

This year the group is expected to be narrowly within its loss limit of £100m, excluding government assistance made available through the intervention fund. Next year, its loss target is much more strincent-£90m, excluding intervention assistance.

# For the past three days, medical bulletins kept repeating

dencies met in a joint session, which was also attended by other high-ranking state functionaries.

Today, the leadership voiced its satisfaction over the high degree of responsibility and full unity which was demonstrated by the people in recent weeks. They also emphasized Yugo-slavia's stability and readiness to carry out President Tito's policies and, in particular, to

# No.1 bestseller

# Smiley's People

For its energy, compassion, rich and overwhelming sweep of character and action The Honourable Schoolboy was simply one of the finest English novels of the Seventies. Ironic, mournful and introspective, Smiley's People complements it beautifully.



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# Steel strikers claim a big break as pickets keep out 6,000 men

By Ronald Kershaw eering works yesterday and an estimated six thousand workers of all unions refused to cross picket lines.
The effects varied from a

shutdown at Ambrose Shard-low, the Sheffield crankshaft manufacturers, to some work continuing at Record Ridgeway Tools in Sheffield.

Mr Edward Thorne, leader of the South Yorkshire Iron and Steel Trades Confederation and Steel Trades Confederation strike committee, said last night: "This is the big break we have been looking for for the past 12 weeks, Better late ham never."

"Ue said about five thousand wickets ware our are 24-hours."

pickets were out on a 24-hour rota. Eight firms were picketed, on the advice of the district committee of the Confedera-tion of Shipbuilding and Engineering Unions (CSEU)

Kenneth Long, district officer of the TGWU at Sheffield, said the pressure would be maintained and it was expected that other firms would be brought to a halt later this In general, TGWU members

tuent of the CSEU, have re-Picketing by members of the Transport and General Workers' Union in support of the national steel strike affected Sheffield and Rotherham engine ering works vectories and a spokesiman said: "It is particularly depressing for us We. the workforce of one thousand 600 did not cross picket lines, a spokesman said: "It is particularly depressing for us. We have been without steel for the past eight weeks, but we have managed to work together painting the forge and ridying the place up, and doing every-thing we can to keep our men

with some wages. The At Record Ridgeway Tools, which employs 1,300 men, fewer than 1,000 refused to cross picket lines, but most were TGWU members from one area of the plant. A spokesman said some skilled tradesmen had not come to work. Difficulties arose when part of the plant was working and part was not

At GEC Traction, about 600 men did not cross picket lines, and other firms affected in varying degrees included Firth varying degrees included Firth Derrion, Davy Loewy, Straffords and Hillcliff Hard Metals. Pickets were out at Doncaster's of Sheffield, but the plant was working normally.

At Harrogate, Sir John Hedley Greenborough, president of the Confederation of British Industry, opening the annual

Industry, opening the annual exhibition of the Yorkshire and Humberside Engineering Indus-In general, TGWU members tries Association yesterday, are not crossing picket lines, appealed for Parliament, embut in several cases, members ployers and trade unions to of the Amalgamated Union of work together to put Britain on Engineering Workers, a consti-

### **BSC** head predicts rough weather for industry

By Paul Routledge

Sir Charles Villiers, chairman of the British Steel Corporation, defended his conduct in the ten-week strike last night and called on other in-dustries to follow his ballot of

the work force.

Speaking at the British Constructional Steelwork Association dinner in London, he asked: "Please come back to us as soon as you can." He predicted that industry

with our workforces and their unions on how our businesses are going to survive in the storm."

Sir Charles, who was speaking as steel industry negotiations went into their third day, said: "Our ballot last week does indicate that the reality of this is getting home."

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Were outwitted by a freighter skipper, who unloaded steel in a West Country holiday resort yesterday. While flying pickets outwitted by a freighter skipper, who unloaded steel in a West Country holiday resort yesterday. While flying pickets outwitted by a freighter skipper, who unloaded steel in a West Country holiday resort yesterday. While flying pickets outwitted by a freighter skipper, who unloaded steel in a West Country holiday resort yesterday. While flying pickets outwitted by a freighter skipper, who unloaded steel in a West Country holiday resort yesterday. While flying pickets outwitted by a freighter skipper, who unloaded steel in a West Country holiday resort yesterday. While flying pickets outwitted by a freighter skipper, who unloaded steel in a West Country holiday resort yesterday. While flying pickets had been a west country holiday resort yesterday. While flying pickets outwitted by a freighter skipper, who unloaded steel in a West Country holiday resort yesterday. While flying pickets had been a west country holiday resort yesterday. While flying pickets outwitted by a freighter skipper, who unloaded steel in a West Country holiday resort yesterday. While flying pickets had been a west country holiday resort yesterday. While flying pickets had been a west country holiday resort yesterday. While flying pickets had been a west country holiday resort yesterday. While flying pickets had been a west country holiday resort yesterday. While flying pickets outwing the west country holiday resort yesterday. While flying pickets yesterday we we were a west country holiday resort yesterday. While flying had had been a west country holiday resort yesterday. While flying had had had had had had had had had h was running into some of the roughest economic weather for /0 years "We should now be consulting with our work-

does indicate that the reality of this is getting home. It is still possible for thrusting, thriving businesses of the right size to

feed upon success.

"The costs of 'no change' at
BSC would be colossal. It
would mean a pay deal without
productivity, an industry with surplus capacity and work freighter told repeople doing nothing a steel photographers to industry failing to adapt to its dockside.

home market, and increasingly dependent on making steel for

export at a loss."
If BSC carried on with all the costs of excess capacity, the cash injection needed would be enormous. "With inflation, a strong pound, and a vicious cost-price squeeze, it is not difficult to see a continuing year-after-year requirement of £1 billion or more through the

would not happen. The country would not pay those bills for long under, any govern-

steel when it was diverted to the resort at dawn. By lunchtime five lorries each loaded with 20 tons of steel had left the harbour with their loads hidden under tarpaulins. Dockers unloading the freighter told reporters and

BL's troubles are biggest worry for Midlands firms

By Clifford Webb Companies in the Midlands are more worried about the effects of BL's production cutbacks, widespread lay-offs and proposed factory closures than year. In fact, things had im-

they are by the steel strike, it was claimed yesterday.

Mr Reginald Parkes, chairman of the Midland Region of the Confederation of British there was some increase in Industry, told a press confer-

ence at Sutton Coldfield that

Lay-offs caused by the steel strike were still rare, although there was some increase in short-time working.

#### Rail unions to pursue. ioint strategy on pay

By Donald MacIntyre Labour Staff The three rail unions will

pursue a joint strategy for the first time in pressing a "substantial" pay claim on behalf of more than 200,000 members. Leaders of the three unions agreed yesterday that if the talks run into difficulties they will take decisions on their next step together rather than revive past inter-union conflicts by

past inter-union conflicts by acting separately.

Mr Sidney Weighell, general secretary of the National Union of Railwaymen, the biggest of the three unions, said last night: "If we need to be prepared for a battle we shall be prepared together."

The railwaymen have not pur a figure on their claim but are known to be seeking something close-to-what they see as a "going rate", set at around 20

going rate ", set at around 20 per cent by the miners.

British Rail have yet to respond to the claim but have warued the unions that they are operating under right financial.

pressures.

The cash limit on the British The cash limit on the British Railways Board was reduced by fifm to £715m in the June budget and unions are now working on the assumption of a £750m cash limit for 1980 to 1981. The settlement is due to run from April.

Mr Weighell made it clear that in his dies it the total and the settlement in the clear that in his dies it these total and the settlement to the settlement in the settle

that in his view, it was up to the Government to relieve the board of its financial difficulty to the extent of allowing a pay settlement acceptable to the unions. The unions are expect-

Labour Staff

meeting should be Mr Gren-ville Hawley, the union's repre-sentative on the council and

Despite that setback from a union representing more than half the labour force at Ley-

land, the company still aims to bold its meeting

BL's strongest option, if it

fails to reach agreement with union leaders, appears to be to initiate the imposition of the settlement, by simply putting the basic pay rises into pay packets and telling workers directly that further cash will be fartherning only when the

The earliest such a move could be made, however, would

be on Friday, when British Ley-

land is expected to andounce substantial losses.

year at Papworth Hospital, as a cost of £200,000 a year.

In the RBC television pro-

gramme "Open Secret " tonight, he calls the expenditure " a

relatively small price to pay for something like this, taken in the context of expenditure for other forms of treatment. I think

there is a good chance that is the way it will develop".

He said the decision on how much should be spent was eventually political. But hundreds of thousands of pounds

are being spent on various forms of cancer treatment, and

in the

automotive group secretary.

ing a further fares increase to finance a settlement after Jamary's 20 per cent rise. At the same time, however, they want to see special relief from the Government to the railways to meet the £50m increase in fuel costs over the nast war and in recognition of past year, and in recognition of the special importance of rail-

Mr Weighelf said last night: "I cannot see the Government allowing a dispute to drag on without intervening. We certainly do not want a confrontation but if we do not get a fair crack of the whip there will

#### Humber Bridge cost 'could' reach £124.4m From Our Correspondent

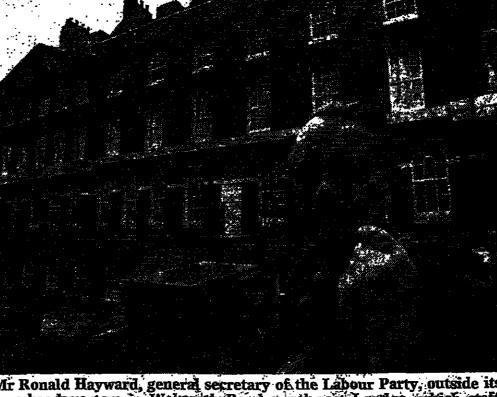
The cost of the Humber bridge could be 1124.4m, the public inquiry into the crossing

day.

The bridge board is asking Mr Norman Fowler, Minister of Transport, to confirm its sugmaximum crossing charges of £1.50 for cars and up to £8 for the largest lorries. In addition, it is proposed that motorcyclists will pay a maximum 70p, light commercial vehicles and minibuses £2.99, and buses £5.20.

Humberside County Council has supported the mavimum tolls structure, but it would rather the bridge had been part of the regional road structure and free.
Grimsby and Cleethorpes
councils withdrew their objec-

tions, but emphasized that the crossing charges should pay for the bridge and that none of the cost should fall on the rates. A report has revealed that if the bridge is opened as expec-ted towards the end of this year its construction will have cost £75m and interest charges would add £49.4m. Maintenance and operating costs in the first year will be



Mr Ronald Hayward, general secretary of the Labour Party, outside its new headquarters in Walyarth Road, southeast London, which staff completed moving into on Nonday.

#### Union chief's Call for takeover of snub over 11 BBC orchestras Leyland pay

British Leyland's attempts to

British Leyland's attempts to break the pay deadlock affecting \$5,000 car workers were dealt a blow yesterdey by the refusal of Mr. Mostyn (Moss). Evans, general secretary of the Transport and General Workers' Union, to attend salks between Leyland union leaders and management on the issue. Mr Evans has rejected BGL's strategy of bypassing the Ley-land Cars National Joint Nego-tiating Council by saying that the senior TGWU official at any

"Would it not be a good idea for the society to be a forum to put forward ideas and if

Surgeon plans eight transplants a year

eight or 10 heart transplants a year at Papworth Hospital, as a cost of £200,000 a year.

The property says he is awate of the possibility of a false sense: of euphoria developing.

He said it doctors light a couple of patients, it would a lightly his on how they

very often the palliation and "I think there is a need for benefit the patients can get is them is the vary basic answer. not great, either in terms of extension of life or the quality of life." "I think there are many people in this country, and in developed Western countries

By a Staff Reporter

Mr English, who normally where coronary disease is very Mr Terence English, the heart shuns publicity, says he is aware prevalent, who cannot be surgeon, plans to continue with of the possibility of a false sense treated i tany other way; and

died as to the effect on doctors, but I think we look forward

to the long term enalysis of our

results.
"If in four or five years we can

approach the results achieved at Stanford to date, we will be

It would be a reasonable achievement if half their patients were alive five years after the operation. Asked why

heart transplants should be car-ried out at all, Mr English says: "I think there is a need for

By Arthur Osman

Called upon to act as a link

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this is a chance many people would be prepared to take."

unexpected things was that re-jection had presented very few problems. Mr Keith Castle, who had his new heart six months ago, had twice suffered a rejec-tion, but this had been put right.

Mr English said he was pre-pared to guie Mr Castle another heart if it was necessary. But he was against pressing anyone to have a transplant. One man

he saw had refused and had died two months later. "I would not press anybody and I think this is terribly im-

portant. There are pleople who would rather accept death, without going through such an operation."

One of the most pleasant and

help to bring on new ones.

#### at Harvard and the Massachusetts Institute of Technology were unsatisfactory, he main-tains, because they did not allow for changes in technology demanded for safety and environmental reasons. His work during the past eight years has involved analys-

ing the factors influencing the capital construction costs and reliability of pressurized water reactors (PWRs) and coal-fired on his estimates, the biggest difficulty facing the PWR programme adopted by the British Government will be its steadily

ceeded the rate of inflation during the 1970s, will continue

to rise, according to Dr Charles Komanoff, a specialist in the economics of nuclear and fossil-

At a meeting on the economic

costs of nuclear power, in Lon-don yesterady, organized by the

Green Alliance and Parliamen

tary Lizison Group for Alterna-

tive Energy Strategies, he put forward a way of measuring future increases in capital

Earlier attempts by groups

fuelled power stations.

growing capital costs. Dr Komanoff argues that some of the usual economic forces at play in industry work in reverse in the nuclear field. Instead of

costs 'underestimated' one. It is not a process that will level off, as the industry claims, and it will continue to make The cost of building nuclear power stations, which far ex-

Future reactor safety

heavy demands on changes in technology.

Dr Komanoff emphasizes that there will also be a substantial increase in the cost of coal-

fired stations to meet mores rigorous environmental safety and reliability demands. Those costs will be higher in their United States than in Britains because of a different approach to pollution control, but they will be much lower than for developments in nuclear energy! Between 1971 and 1978, when 46 nuclear station were com-pltede in the United States average construction costs rose, 142 per cent above the rate of inflation for the building and engineering sectors of the economy. The corresponding rate for coal-fired plants was 66 per cent, and almost all the extra cost was for pollution control equipment to scrub that gases before emission.

Thus, a nuclear plant com-pleted late in 1972 had only a 6 per cent higher per-kilowatt capital cost than the average coal plant. In seven years that? difference swelled to 52 per-

One difficulty in conventional projections of capital costs is that they are derived from conventional engineering estimates. That requires the scope of construction, including environmental conventional engineering environmental conventions are conventional engineering environmental conventions. tal and safety standards, to be clearly defined, in an unrealiscosts falling as more plants are built they will actually rise for safety reasons.

Each new plant has had to be made safer than the previous training as more plants are clearly defined, in an unrealist tic way. But the costs of meaning the control of the costs of meaning the plants cannot be listed in the same way as for coal plants.

#### Tip bones may be those of Mr Niedermayer

From Christopher Thomas

Belfast Human remains overturned by a mechanical digger on an unofficial rubbish tip near Belfast may be those of Mr Niedermayer, the industrialist and Thomas German industrialist and diplomat, who has not been seen since he was kidnaped six

vears ago. Pathologists and scientists last night were examining the decomposed remains. Senior police officers said that they could be those of Mr Nieder mayer.

Detective Chief Superintendent William Mooney, head of the CID in Northern Ireland, was at the site last night with detectives who have been investigating Mr Niedermayer's disappearance.

The police were informed after the digger driver un-covered what he thought were human bones at a local eyesore which was being cleared. Mr Mooney said: "It is not possible at this stage to make an identity. It could well be Mr Niedermayer."

district known as come will come back to are outskirts of Belfast, about 14 family soon."

In 1976, he was declared by a court in

housing estate on December 27, He was general manager of Grondig in Northern Ireland, and honorary German concul. He was entitled out of his home by two young men who claimed that they had crashed into his parked car and forced into a vehicle.

A popular theory is that he as seized by the Provisional was seized by the Provisional IRA, who were unaware of his bad heart, and that he died soon afterwards.

In January, 1974, the West German Government offered 23,000 for information leading

to any sign of life of Mr Niedermayer, or to his safe return. Advertisements in two Belfast morning newspapers gave telephone numbers in Dublin, Loudon, Belfast and Liverpool for informants.

Liverpool for informants.

The same month Mrs Ingeborg Niedermayer, who still works at the Grundig factory in Northern Ireland, called journalists to her home and said:

"No-one can tell me why he was so cruelly taken from us, where he is now, and why I have had no word from him. I have had no word from him. I The remains were found in a can only hope and pray that my listrict known as Colin Glen husband is alive and well and n Dunmurry, on the south-west will come back to me and his

#### Bank manager gets four years

Jain MacDonald, aged 45, a bank manager, who was said to have embezzled £118,604 over seven years, was jailed by Lord Wheatley, Lord Justice-Clerk, at the High Court in Edinburgh yesterday for four years.

Mr MacDonald, of Mossneuk Park, Wishaw, Strathclyde, admitted embezzling the money as manager of the Clydesdale Bank in Newmains, Strathclyde.

Lake District, Isle of Man, SW Scotland, Glasgow, Central Highlands, Argyll, Northern Ireland: Bright or sunny intervals, bussery showers, possibly winty in places; wind SW, Iresh or strong, locally gale; max temp 6°C (43°F).

#### Talks soon on oil imports ceiling

The executive board of the International Energy Agency will hold preliminary talks on 1981 oil import ceilings at a meeting in Paris beginning on Thursday, Last month, consensus among the 20 member nations of the IEA was for a shift of emphasis from 1980 to 1981 and beyond on the world's

# "I sat in the park to escape"

At 72 she had no choice but to live in a house occupied by male drop-outs. And she was afraid, with good reason, so all her pension was used for meals out.

When weather permitted Annie would escape to a seat in the park. The constant loneliness and fear preyed on her mind. She had to get away—and there was just no-where to go. No one to talk to. Her life became empty and a burden.

Such worry and sadness blights the lives of thousands of our old people, at the very time when they should be enjoying the right to relax a little. Yet Day Centres can quickly transform such tragedy, with friendship and good company.

They're cheerful, warm places to spend the day-an end to the depressing loneliness. For in the Day Centre old people meet, make friends and can get a good nourishing meal at a low price.

25 is a real help towards another centre. £30 helps provide a Geriatric Day Hospital. £150 inscribes a name of someone dear to

you on the Dedication Plaque of a Day Your donation is desperately needed to help old people. So please use the FREEPOST facility and address your gift to: Hon. Treasurer, The Rt. Hon. Lord Maybray.

King, Help the Aged, Room T7, FREEPOST 30, London W1E 7JZ (No stamp needed). \* Please let us know if you would like your gift used for a

# ATV accused of staging damage

of a breach of the Independent
Broadcasting Authority Act by
"stage-maniging" an act of a building, which appeared to
criminal damage by children
for a programme.

Mr Arthur Sandford, chief
executive of Nottinghamshire
County Council, said in a letter
to the company, which also
went to the Independent Broadcasting Authority: "This deliberate illustration of criminal
damage, apart from departing
from the standards imposed by
your own charter, is unaccept-

your own charter, is unacceptable to the council, and is as irresponsible a piece of tele-vision as I have ever experi-

enced."

A film in a regional series entitled England, their England was shown on February 26 and purported to reflect the views of pupils in a number of Nottingham schools about the city and the locality.

Me Sandford continued. "Way.

Mr Sandford continued: " Having seen the film and taken advice; I am wholly satisfied that one filmed sequence actu-

ATV, the commercial fele-breach of the IBA Act. The vision contractor in the Mid-sequence to which I refer lands was accused yesterday showed a number of school-of a breach of the Independent boys engaged in acts of criminal

your cameras:

"You will hardly be surple prised that in view of the nature of the film, the chief constable min is taking an interest in what should be portrays, and is studying usefurther both the film and its implications?

He said that the film and its implications? He said that there had been

He said that there nan oven on considerable controversy locally, about the nature of the film, and continued: "Whether they set out deliberately with this intention. I do not know but your film-makers selected pupils material generally of a critical, hostile or gloomy nature and, by definition, excluded

Timmins, an associate producer of ATV, had approached the director of education, asking in children could write essays en-titled "My town". From those, they could give a child's view of Mr Timmins allegedly under

mr l'immins allegedly undertook to show the director orhis staff essays they intendedto use. Mr Sandford said. "I
must stress the county council
played no part in the selections
of material" nor did Mr Tigh,
mins keep to his undertaking to
show the director all the essays
used."

used."

The suggested a new alm be made, showing children "in the better light in which they are

Mr Charles Denton, pro-gramme controller of the ATV network, said: "I will be look-ing into the serious issues raised and will write back in Confi-Mr Charles Denton, dence. I am new going to be' drawn into commenting until I material which was more optimistic and constructive in tone.
The county council had had only a modest part in the mak-

# Consumers want EEC food prices freeze

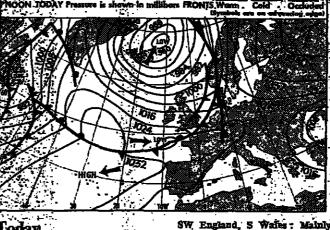
By Hugh Clayton Agriculture Correspondent

Agriculture Correspondent
Consumer groups urged the
Government yesterday to campaign for a freeze on food prices
governed by the common agricultural policy of the EEC.
Leaders of Consumers in the
European Community Group
(UK) appealed to Mr Peter
Walker, Minister of Agriculture,
Fisheries and Food, to resist
demands from farmers for an
average rise of almost 8 per
cent.

Mrs Kate Foss, chairman of the group, said after meeting Mr Walker: "We see absolutely no reason why there should be any increase".

Dr William Roberts, head of public affairs at the Consumers' Association, said that the increase claimed by farmers would add more than £3,000m

# Weather forecast and recordings



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If you have about £9,000 or more to spend on a car, Toyota is probably not the first name that will spring to mind.

You're more likely to think of a car like a Volvo 264, or a BMW 525, or a Mercedes 230.

Not surprisingly, for all three are desirable cars with illustrious names.

But before you make your choice, let us put the arguments for considering the new Toyota Crown. And demonstrate, with facts rather than opinions, that we are not getting ideas above our station.

### **COMFORT.**

We might describe the plushness of the Crown's seats, the spaciousness of its interior, the smoothness and quietness of its ride. But these are qualities which only a test drive will reveal.

Instead, we'll mention some of the ways in which the Crown cares for your comfort and its three rivals do not

The seats have height adjustable headrests which are also adjustable fore and aft in the front. The driver's seat is adjustable for height and lumbar support.

The Crown, in fact, is a very adjustable car, so the small businessman will feel as comfortable as the big City magnate.

And only the Crown has air conditioning and an air purifier as standard equipment. Winter and summer, it keeps the air fresh as a daisy.

And should you, on a long drive, feel that a cool glass of Perrier would not go amiss, there is a cooler-box in the rear window shelf.

### EQUIPMENT.

The Crown is, quite simply, far better equipped than any of its three rivals. It is better equipped, indeed, than any other car at its price and many which cost a great deal more.

It has an auto-reverse stereo cassette-player with four speakers, and

a cassette box in the front console.

It has a self-seeking VHF/MW/LW stereo radio, and an electric aerial.

The electric windows can be opened and closed individually or from the driver's seat. The fuel filler cap, outside mirror and boot lid are all remote control.

There's a digital quartz clock, and all four seats have separate reading lamps.

The new Toyota Crown gives an overall 24.2 mpg. which is better than the Volvo, BMW and Mercedes.

It has electronic fuel injection, which uses petrol more efficiently, and responds more quickly, than a conventional carburettor.

And its automatic gearbox has overdrive, which you can select manually and reduces petrol consumption when you are cruising.

# THE COMPELLING ARGUMENTS FOR BUYING A TOYOTA. RATHER THAN A VOLVO, BIVIN OR MERCEDES.

You can control the radio and air conditioning from the front seat if you are driving, or from the rear seat if your chauffeur is driving.

All three of our rivals offer you great comfort. Only the Crown offers you such luxury.

### ECONOMY.

There was a time when economy would have had no place in an advertisement for a luxury car.

That, though, was before the days of the £1.25 gallon.

### PERFORMANCE.

Here, you might not expect us to come first. But you would be wrong.

The Crown's 2.8 litre engine takes it from 0 to 60 mph in 11.1 seconds, which is 0.6 seconds faster than the BMW 525 Automatic. \*

Its power steering is speed-sensitive. The lower your speed, the more assistance it gives you. So the Crown is as easy to manoeuvre in Threadneedle Street as on the M1.

#### SAFETY.

To protect you and your family in an accident, the Crown has a rigid steel passenger cell and crumple zones front and rear.

It has central door locking and inertia reel seat belts.

To prevent you getting into an accident, it has power-assisted brakes, four quartz-halogen headlamps and a rear fog warning lamp.

It has warning lights for the handbrake, brake fluid level and rear lights. The windows are tinted, to reduce glare.

#### RELIABILITY.

At this stage of the argument, we will let others speak for us.

According to the German equivalent of the MOT, a Toyota is the most reliable car after two years on the road.

According to an independent British consumer survey, Toyotas suffer from fewer faults than any other make of car. And, in the unlikely event of your needing them, spare parts are easy to get and repair costs are low.

A luxury car, after all, should be more than a comfortable place to sit in while you wait for the AA to arrive.

#### THE FINAL ARGUMENT.

A glance at the picture below will show that the new Crown will not look out of place outside the most elegant of houses.

Certainly, its new lines do not give away the most surprising fact of all:

The Toyota Crown costs £8,500. £400 less than the Volvo, nearly £500 less than the Mercedes, nearly £800 less than the BMW.

Not, we suspect, that you'd be influenced by a question of mere money. Any more than you'd be influenced by a famous name.

# TOYOTA

Everything keeps going right.



own Super Splace 28,500.32 Price includes Car lian; VAT and seat belts, but excludes road tax, number plates and delivery thorges, Price correct of time of going to press, "What Car Official Gost, fivel consumption figures for Urban Cycle: 18.5 mpg (15.3 lines per 100 km), Constant 56 mph: 30.0 mpg (9.4 lines per 100 km), Constant 56 mph: 30.0

Correspondent

The Archbishop of Canter-bury, the Most Rev Robert Runcie, added his weight yesto the pressure on terday to the pressure on British athletes not to take part in the Moscow Olympic Games this summer. "I feel they won't go", he commented.

He was answering questions at a Foreign Press Association lunch in London, and indicated at one point that he expected in due course to pay a visit to Pope John Paul II.

In reply to another question, he said he had not been asked for advice by the Royal Family on the possibility of the Prince of Wales marrying a Roman Catholic, and declined to com-

On the Olympic boycott, Archishop Runcie said: "I am bishop Runcie said: "I am acainst, as far as possible, barriers and obstacles that break down that sort of communication. But I think it is an illusion to suppose that you can separate politics from sport in that

instance.

"I am sorry about this be-cause I came at the beginning, to believe it was an opportuhity. It sickens me. I believe this is a case where alas, although I'm hopeful of a change, my advice would be "that they should not go".

That was Archbishop Runcie's first statement on a matter of public controversy since his appointment at the end of last month, and it echoed the sentimonth, and it existent the Sententents of the Bishop of Liverpool, the Right Rev David
Sheppard, when he spoke at
the February meeting of the
General Synod of the Church of England, and was loudly applauded by the church

leaders present

Archbishop Runcie was, as Bishop of St Albans, the Anglican Communion's leading figure in relations with the orthodox churches, including the Russian Orthodox Church, and he has many contacts and and he has many tonics and friends in the Soviet Union. In advocating a boycott of the Olympic Games, he referred to both the Afghanistan crisis and the clean-up operation involving people I know in Moscow".

The Soviet authorities recently took steps to punish leaders of the human rights movement in

He said he had exchanged letters and conversations with the Pope, in a way which would make an invitation for

a meeting fairly easy. But he did not want to rush into it until he had thought about all the implications. The Pope was to be personally represented at enthronement later this

Asked about the Prince of Wales marrying a Roman Catholic, the archbishop said he had learn from recent experience that this was the sort of question he ought not to auswer.

"It is entirely hypothetical beyond my assuring you that I have not been asked for my advice on that issue", he said. Display withdrawn: A display about the Olympics was hastily withdrawn from a sports exhibition opened yesterday by the Duke of Edinburgh (the Press

ssociation writes). The exhibition, at the Stock Exchange, is organized by the Central Council of Physical Recreation, of which the Duke is president. It has scores of

is president. It has scores of displays about sport.
"We had a really good one prepared about the Moscow Olympics but we realized the trouble it might cause and decided to send it back to the Russian Embassy", the CCPR said. "We do not want unnecessary controversy."

# Another £400,000 needed to send full team to the games

Another £400,000 needs to be raised by voluntary subscription and commercial sponsorship between now and July if Britain is to send a full team to the Moscow Olympics.
The British Olympic Associa-

tion, which has set a target of £1m to cover the cost of partici-pation in both the summer Games in Moscow and the Winter Olympics at Lake Placid, has so far attracted donations and promises worth nearly The cost of taking

part has doubled since the Mon-treal Olympics of 1976.

Mr George Nicholson, appeals secretary of the BOA, told The Times yesterday that there was no doubt about a British team going to Moscow; the only doubt, depending on the suc-cess of the appeal fund, was how big the team would be. This country has always

taken the view that as many sportsmen as possible should participate in the Olympics; we have never restricted ourselves sure to bring back medals", he

From a purely financial view tical controversy over the rights point, the Government's decision and wrongs of the Moscow

not to offer any state support to this year's Olympic squad has not been the cruel blow to the organizers that it might appear. In the past, government aid has been limited to underwriting the cost of the athletes' travel to

The Olympic organizers have not yet had to call on the Gov-ernment's safety net. So far this year British com-

mercial companies have given promised about £300,000, either in cash or kind, such as shoes and clothes. In spite of the uncertainty surrounding the Games, appeal officials report that only three companies which have promised support have not yet delivered their cheques, and the association says it has no reason to doubt that they will fulfil their promises.
In 1976 about £170,000 of the total budget of £500,000 was provided from industry and

This year the amount is greater but it still falls far short of the Olympic squad's needs. The problem the fund is facing is caused not by the poli-

Games but by the uncertainty which that controversy has caused", Mr Nicholson said. Most of the balance must

come from private donations, whether unsolicited or as a result of the BOA's publicity drives in 17,000 sports clubs and in every school in the country.

Fund managers report that the Government's decision to wash its hands of Moscow has resulted in an upsurge in private postal donations, from £1 uowards. Because of the uncertainty

over the rightness of being seen in Moscow, the BOA has, for the time being, stopped approaches to commercial companies for funds, either in the form of direct donations or by licensing fees for use of the British Olympic logo. For the moment the fund is relying heavily on private donations and hopes there may still be up to £200,000 from individuals.

For all the strictures, Britain managed to send one of its Placid at a cost of £150,000.

By a Staff Reporter

Games by the Warrington-based vodka distillers.

Mr Nick Akers, or Vladivar, a marathon and 10,000-metre runner aged 24, put the idea to Vladivar Vodka about 18 months ago after failing to obtain sponsorship elsewhere.

"I wanted to give the spon-sors something", he said yester-day. "Too often, athletes say offer anything in return. By giving my name, myself, I falt that was enough for them and grounds for supporting men."

Mr Vladivar, who was born in Eastbourne, is entering the Olympics with a team of five from the Cayman Islands, where he lived for seven months. He is now resident in Canada. His deal with the vodka distillers has also earner sponsor-ship for the rest of the Cayman

Islands team, estimated at

'Vladivar' finds competitive spirit y a Staff Reporter company's marketing manager, Afghanistan should affect the A British-born athlete has said: "Our view is that if com-spousorship programme.

> open commercialism. We sup-port the arhletes; where they compete is up to them." The company is also sponsor-ing a team of 11 British racewalkers, most of whom hope to be selected for the Olympics at

trials in the early summer. The money, also about £5,000, will not pay their air fares and expenses, as with the Cayman Islands team, but is going towards training abroad at tude which race-walkers have previously been denied because

of the cost. Mr Julian Hopkins, their coach, said: "There is a big commitment to the athletes, both morally and financially. We are not embarrassing the Government. We are involved in sponsoring amateur athletes and do not feel recent events should affect a decision made some

Mr Michael Lloyd Davies, the athletes felt the events in screened.

"We are delighted about the sponsorship. Race-walking has always been a 'Cinderella'

As for Vladivar Vodka, the company is paying for the Cayman Islands team out of its West Indian budget, with a view to promoting white spirits other than rum in the islands. It has also tried to sell its wodka in the Soviet Union, so far with little success.

tisements, showing the Russians trying to steal the secret of the "Wodka from Varrington", provoked a request from the Russians to the Department of time ago."

Russians to the Department of
Neither the company nor the
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# A British-born athlete has Said: Our view is the only way to the David Shaw, general poll to Vladivar in return for allow dedicated athletes to fulfil secretary of the British Amateur Athletics Board, said:

sport in Britain and the money will help us catch up with our competitors." The sponsorship was long-

term and not geared solely to the Moscow Olympics, he said "Our view is that we owe the athletes our full support."

The company's cinema adver-

### Terror letter threat to Welsh farms

From Our Correspondent Llandudno

Detectives investigating arson attacks on holiday cottages in farmland in the high unemploynorth Wales are examining a letter from the "Patriotic Front " threatening to attack can company to build a microfarms. The letter, delivered to the National Farmers' Union of Wales at Caernaryon, states: "No single farm will escape attitude. once you ignore this warning".

The threat posed to the Arctic Ocean by the develop-

ment of the northern latitudes

for mineral extraction, trade and shipping is under scrutiny

at a two-day meeting at the Royal Geographical Society in

At the opening ceremony yesterday the Duke of Edin-burgh said exploration and

exploitation of the Arctic was

about to be expanded considerably. That must not be allowed to cause unacceptable and permanent damage.

As the Arctic territory was

known to be extremely vulner-

able to sudden changes, the consequences of exploitation must be assessed beforehand, he said. Development programmes should be consistent

with the world conservation strategy prepared recently by the International Union for the

Conservation of Nature and

Experts from 20 countries are

seeking solutions to the ques-tions posed if the Arctic is to survive economic development,

and if changes that could affect

Natural Resources.

It accused farmers of "personal greed so in opposing plans for industrial development on ment area of Gwynedd. Referring to a proposal for an Americhip factory at Glynllifon, near Caernarvon, it gives farmers until September to change their

"I think we must take this

Professor Louis Rey, presi-

dent of the Comiré Arcrique, explained how observations from scientific satellites and other new methods of monitor-

ing the environment had begun

the area. It was the largest landlocked maritime expanse in

the world, he said, and thus was geophysically different

was geophysically different from Antarctica, but it enjoyed far less conservation protection under international agreements.

One aim of the meeting was to improve this precarious status by identifying the risks, assessing their gravity and sharing responsibility for the future among the countries bordering and using the ocean.

Professor Rey said the Arctic

Professor Rey said the Arctic Ocean was a relatively young marine ecosystem, less than two million years old, that had not reached genetic stability. He likened it to a polar Mediterraneon because of the

Mediterranean because of the

effect the surrounding land masses had on its ecology.

There were a number of restricted openings, such as the

increase understanding of

Duke sees ecology threat in exploited Arctic

ietter very seriously". Mr Ronald Roberts, NFU secretary at Caernaryon, said yesterday. "The current wave of attacks on second homes could be a factor and I would urge farmers to be on their guard." He said his branch was not involved in the controversy over the fac-

any comment ".

the global climate are to be generally shallow and acted with natural changes, with the avoided.

more as sills than passages for exception of possible large

only large pathway was at the top of the north Atlantic between Spitzbergen and Green-land. A vast flow of warm

Atlantic water passes through this gap into the Arctic as a

counter-flow of drifting ice and cold water comes out of the Polar Sea.

The powerful Atlantic inflow.

coming from along the coast of America, collects the exhaust

waters from there and from

Western Europe and threatens to become a formidable pollu-

tion pipe, pumping millions of

tons of agro-chemical and indus-trial waste into the Arctic. The way the currents are dispersed

in the Arctic Ocean provides a

trap for such substances to

Dr E. L. Lewis, of the Canadian Institute of Ocean Sciences, reviewed evidence

about the seasonal variations in

the ice field and its importance

in influencing world climate. He said the present possible

accumulate.

There were a number of He said the present possible restricted openings, such as the man-made changes were con-Bering Strait, which were sidered negligible compared

more as sills than passages for exception of possible large the circulation of water. The alterations in flow from the

Siberian rivers.

into the Polar Sea.

# A trainee butcher who was

Martin Cook, aged 19, of Arlington Villas, Clifton, Bris-

#### Minister rejects local authority finance plan as 'inequi table' the grant at the expense of Bq George Clark Political Correspondent " Such results, while imposing

Darren Walkley, aged 10, whose family owns the only clog sole mill in the country, at Hebden

Mr Donald Leslie Kent, aged An alternative to the Govern-63, one of about 70 Aldermatson ment's new block grant system workers who lodged claims for local authority finance pur forward by the local authority associations has been rejected by Mr Michael Heselting, Secreagainst the Ministry of Defence alleging exposure to radiation at the Atomic Research Estabtary of State for the Environ-ment, because he thinks it lishment, in Berkshire, has died of cancer. He worked there for would have "very uneven and inequitable results" as applied to individual authorities. On the advice of the family's solicitors, his body has been

Bridge, Yorkshire, can make a pair of clogs in an hour.

Third atom

worker dies

of cancer

more than 20 years.

sent to St Bartholomew's Hos-

pital, London, for examination

by Professor Patricia Lindop, a

leading authority in radiation

A post-mortem examination

was carried out at Basingstoke

general hospital and the town's coroner will decide whether to

hold an inquest. Two other

Aldermaston workers, Mr Ken-

neth Cummins and Mr Albert

Newman, died last August after

Wessex Health Authority

said Mr Kent had been treated

at the Basingstoke hospital,

where he died. The Ministry of Defence said:

Mr Kent was one of the wor-

kers who have a claim against us, alleging exposure to radia-

tion. He worked intermittently from 1953 to 1964 as a radiation

An open verdict was recorded

last November at an inquest on Mr Cummins. Body monitoring

measurements showed a level between three and four times

the maximum permissible lung burden of radiation. But a Mini-

stry of Defence safety officer told the inquest the measure-

exposure to plutonium.

In a letter yesterday to Sir Gervas Walker, chairman of the Association of County Councils. and other local authority asso-ciation chairmen, Mr Heseltine stated: "I am pleased that there is complete agreement on the requirement for a new method of needs assessment. However, I am sorry to say that your proposals on the grant

machinery do not meet our objectives." Mr Heseltine explains that his main objective in introducing the block grant system was to deal with the difficulty of major over-spending authorities and the pre-emption of grant that flowed from high spending. "It is critically important to provide a grant system which encourages economy and effi-

cient management of resources by all authorities and which provides them with an incentive to keep their expenditure within reasonable limits. "The only way we can meet this objective is by securing a link between expenditure and

An important part of this problem was the extent to which such authorities were the associations proposals indithe "resources element" to cated that they would have preemt an increasing share of very uneven and inequitable re-

the grant at the expense of other authorities.

"Your proposals recognize this problem", he told the associations, "and suggest a way of dealing with it, setting a cut-off of the resources element for expenditure beyond some threshold observed assessed. threshold above assessed expenditure needs.

"But they provide no consistent link between grant and expenditure for authorities spending above the threshold. Block grant doe."

That major issue apart, Mr Heseltine says, under the associations proposals, the separate needs and resources elements would remain but authorities' entitlements to "resources element" would be subject to a ceiling relating to expenditure at a threshold above assessed need.

results in terms of lost grant for authorities spending above the threshold; but in particular it provides very little by way
of an incentive to high-spending
authorities with high rateable
resources", the Minister says.
"Under the present system,
an authority's needs element entillement is fixed in accordance

"This produces very uneven

titlement is fixed in accordance with its needs assessment and is unaffected by its expenditure in the grant year.
Mr Heselrine explains that the resources element entitle-ments depend upon an authactual rate poundage

ority's actual rate poundage (which follow from its expenditure decisions) and its defi-ciency in rateable value below the national standard. That major issue apart, Mr

some penalties on high-spending authorities do so in a way which looks to be unfair. Block grant, however, applies an equal level of spending to all authorities researches of rate. authorities, regardless of rateable resources.

"For these reasons with reluctance, to say that your proposals as they stand do not represent an acceptable alternative to block grant"

Nevertheless, Mr Heseltine thinks it would be useful to have another meeting with the associations' representatives and to discuss the issues "and make absolutely sure that there is no risk of misunderstand-ing".

A meeting i sheing arranged for tomorrow. A copy of the letter was also sent to Sir Horace Cutler, Conservative leader of the Greater London Council, who has said that the Government's plan, if put into operation, would have the effect of turning every local service into a national one, locally administered. Explanation "inadequate": In

a joint statement last night the
Association of Metropolitan
Authorities and the Association
of District Councils expressed bitter disappointment at the Government's decision to reject their alternative to the block grant system (Our Planning Correspondent writes).

The explanation for its rejection was totally inadequate, they said. Their seheme met the Secretary of State's previous obcated that they would have jections, but he had now very uneven and inequitable re- changed his objections. That

said the heroin seized at Har-wich was worth £3.5m and that

an earlier consignment of heroin and cannabis discovered

at Heathrow airport was worth £1.5m, making the total haul the most valuable seized in the

The trial has lasted more

#### Communit service maintains success

By Peter Evans Home Affairs Correspond The success of com-service which was into in 1974 and expanded grad throughout England and wis shown by detailed figure leased yesterday by the B

In spite of an almost fold increase in the numb people given community is orders between 1975 in the small failure rate was

The innovation meant the offender aged 17 and over had been found guilty o offence punishable with perform uppaid work a specified number of hours fewer than 40 or more

Slightly fewer than 1 people were subject to orders at the end of 1978. specified number of hours worked in about three qua of those cases which termin

Only about one tenth terminated because of a fe to comply with the re-ments of the order and one tenth because of convi-for another offence. Yet about one in eigh those given community at orders in 1978 were known have a previous custodial

tence, and the proportion relatively high for those tenced for burglary. The extent to which ouse community service : alternative to imprison as a sentence in its

right varies, but the stretched prison would undoubtedly have even more overcrowded for introduction of the o In each of the years 1 1978 nearly half of the 1 given orders received the theft or for bandling goods, about a quarter for glary, and between five glary, and between 5 as per cent for offence violence against people: total, four-lifths of all p sentenced had committe

offence involving proper In 1978, about three-quof people given communi magistrates' courts, and quarter from crown cou The number given order tinued to incrtase in the half of 1979, being 12 pe higher than in the first 1 1978.

#### BR reconsider rush-hour ban on cycles

British Rail is reexau its rush-hour ban on cyclæ tails should be made within a couple of w Cycling organizations wh British Rail officials to the ban, which covers M side and the south-easter: muter belt, were told so laxations were being consi "We are looking at w easing the ban. One idea consideration is a conc for passengers travelling peak times, but to destir outside the restricted British Rail said.

The Cyclists' Touring commented: "Welcome the new concessions are it limited way, it is unfor that in order to mee... alleged differing circums from region to region to the mainline termini, the certain to result in vari to an extent that pass will be confused as to wi of regulations will app

#### jail in 1977 when on drug also known as Ahmet Tugrul, smuggling charges, also denied was involved in at least two Two other members of the gang have already been jailed for their part in the smuggling. smuggling journeys before customs officers smashed the being involved in the fraudulent evasion on the importation of ring. He said that Mr Yuksell A customs and excise official

Turkish jeweller convicted of plot to import heroin

From Our Correspondent Ipswich

A Turk who was said to be one of the organizers of a £5m drugs ring, was convicted at Ipswich Crown Court yesterday after pleading not guilty to conspiring to import heroin into Britain at Heathrow airport, London, between July, 1978, and March, 1979.

Fuat Yuksell, who was said to have escaped from a Turkish

controlled drugs, between March, 1979, and May, 1979, when 5kg of heroin were seized Mr Yuksell, aged 41, jeweller and businessman from Istanbul, was said to be the organizer of the ring in Turkey. Mr Anthony Arlidge, for the prosecution, said Mr Yuksell,

#### Call for private Five years' jail for killing baby

grant."

said to have thrown a baby across a room " like a football ", was sentenced by Mr Justice Bristow at Bristol Crown Court yesterday to five years' im-prisonment for her manslaughter.

tol. threw Michele Buck, aged 11 months, on to a bed; she bounced off, fracturing her tory.

The police anti-arson squad said: "We have been handed this letter but are not making this letter."

skull on a wardrobe, the court was told. Mr Cook was acquitted of murder and two charges of cruelty but found guilty of martial and the court was told. Mr Cook was acquitted.

The crucial part played by

run-off from the rivers had been

emphasized by Professor Rey.

The geometry of the Arctic

Ocean allowed several large

rivers to pour bundreds of

millions of tons of fresh water

A few of them, the Ienissel, Ob, Lena, Kolyma and Mackenzie rivers, drained a continental area of more than

10 million square kilometres, bringing 90,000 cubic metres of

fresh water a second, a flow equivalent to five times the Mississippi and about half the

Amazon. Run-offs brought a great deal of natural sediments

but also undesirable substances from the development of land,

industry and mineral extrac-

The volume of such materials

carried in run-offs, the con-sequence of irrigation scheres,

rivers and the quality of the

'bugging' to be in any inquiry

Mr William Whitelaw, Home Secretary, has been urged to include private surveillance activities in any inquiry into official telephone tapping.

Mr Bruce George, Labour MP for Walsall, South, said yesterday: "I accuse the Home Office of putting its collective hands over its eyes and ears to this growing threat to individual and institutional privacy". He has written to Mr Whitelaw warning him of the "dramatic an alarming escalation of the private surveillance industry in the United Kingdom".

Mr George says: "I believe that any inquiry must encompass more than simply government busging However ment bugging. However insidious official bugging may be, it can at least be controlled. "Private surveillance should be included in your inquiry, because this sinister activity.

Dog judge facing bribe charges

represents an intolerable inva-sion of privacy.

Frederick William Dempster, aged 72, of Ashford Street, Stoke-on-Trent, a dog show judge appeared at Manchester City Magistrates' Court yesterday accused of accepting bribes. It is alleged that in September, 1977, he corruptly accepted £25 at the Manchester Open Dog Show and in April 1978 Dog Show and in April, 1978, he accepted E5 at the Leeds Championship Show. The case was adjourned until April 16.

Cycle sale up 77 pc Rising petrol costs are thought to be one reason behind

increasing sales of two-wheel vehicles. Sales of 20,059 scooters, mopeds and motorcycles during last month were 77 per cent up on the previous February, according to the institute of Motorcycling. Sealink to try catamaran as Solent ferry

A high-speed catamaran may replace the two 30-year-old passenger ferries operating

# By Michael Baily

arrived in England the day be-

fore the drugs were discovered in a red Mercedes car at Park-

He had come so that he could

pick up the agreed price for

supplying a shipment, Mr Yuksell and three other

people will be sentenced by

across the Solent between Portsmouth and Ryde. British Rail Sealink is to hold cruises to the Western Isles.

trials next week with a 160seat, 20-knot aluminium twin-hull boat built in Norway and chartered from the private enterprise Western Ferries, of Glasgow, who use it for summer The craft will operate during the morning and evening peak periods and will take about 15 minutes for the six-mile cross-ing or half the time of conventional ferries. Passengers will be able to choose craft.

If the trials are successful Sealink will consider buying one or two 300 to 400-seaters, which should be not only faster

# West Indian schoolboy From Our Correspondent

United Kingdom.

Judge Sunderland at Birmingham County Court yesterday dismissed a claim by a West Indian schoolboy that his teacher discriminated against him. Cecil Stephens, aged 16, of Church Road, Handsworth, Birmiogham, said his teacher called him Sambo and Nignog

and picked on him. With backing by the Commission for Racial Equality, he sought damages from Birmingham City Council and a declaration that Mr Graham Bramble's words and actions were unlawful under the Race were unlawful the Relations Act.
Judge Sunderland dismissed the action and awarded costs
The action and awarded if I

loses discrimination claim used could not by any s of the imagination be des

as discriminatory ". He did not think Mr Br ever discriminated again boy in the way alleged boy, he added, walked c Mr Bramble's class at Hol secondary school after teacher called him names he made a spelling error examination paper. transferred to another schr

Mr Bramble denied p on the boy and said that he one of the brightest childs the remedial class that taught. Names such as N and Sambo had been used class in the context of cussion about the tele comedy series Love thy l which should be not only faster to the defence. He said: "I tirely in connexion wi but cheaper than conventional think that even if true, a lot programme to try to sta ships costing about £8m each. I of the allegations made against name-calling", he said. tirely in connexion with programme to try to stam

### Artist's attempt to salvage portico

From Our Correspondent Maknesbury Mr Stanley Frost, an artist

and conservationist, realized "something was tragically wrong" when contractors demokshed the mineteenth-century Baptist tabernacle in Swindon, a building once described by Sir John Betjeman, the Poet Laurente, as being to Swindon what St Martin-in-the-Fields is to London.

He cold a public inquiry yesterday at Malmesbury that he mounted an urgent salvage operation to save the "only worthwhile edifice in Swin-

Mr Frost, aged 52, who is also an engineer, of Milbourne, Malmesbury, Wiitshire, wants to use the vast stone tabernacle portico including the pillars and facade as part of a new six-bedroom house.

The salvaged portico is being stored on land he bought from Lord Suffolk at Bell Farm. Brokenborough, near Malmesbury. He took a year to move the 300 tons of individually num-

bered stones which were given to him, although the site, labour and transport have cost him more than £16,000. Wiltshire County Council has

rejected his scheme on highway and planning grounds. Mr Frost was served with an enforcement notice to move the stone. Before the Malmesbury inquiry, Mr Frost said he would rather go to prison than sell his land or pay fines if he lost the appeal.

Later he told the inquiry: Occasionally in the name of progress something gets des-troyed which should not be destroyed. What we are trying

breed of people sometimes named developers."

"Had this temple stoo
Bath or Oxford, or almost!

other city, its fate would been different, "Alas for I don's heritage!" Mr David Beardmore, o county planning departs said the architectural quali the former tabernacle was in dispute. It had been incl in a list of graded building architectural and historic terest, although listed bui consent for its demolition granted. But the policy for area was to approve only velopment essential for age

tural needs.
The decision of Mr J to do is only a modest attempt given after a site inspection

# Secretary loses court action to stop M25 Green Belt extension

Miss Lesley Lovelock, a retary, yesterday lost her ion in the High Court to p a £30m motorway exten-n to the M25, which would a through the Green Belt.

she asked the court to quash o compulsory purchase orders de by the Minister of Transt last September for Green it land on the ground that had failed to comply with per procedures in giving ice of the orders.

Mr Justice Willis ruled there i been no breach of natural rice, as argued by Miss Love-k's counsel, and that the ders should stand.

t was true, he said, that blic notice of the orders had t been advertised so as to give statutory 14 days in which iections could be lodged. By

ections could be lodged. By
ince one notice was advered, the day for lodging
jections had passed.
He did not accept that that
confused potential objectors
it they did not lodge protests
alternative routes when they
ght otherwise have done so.
Afterwards Miss Lovelock, of
anham, near Upminster, Lonanham, near Upminster, Lon-n, who has been fighting the 2-A13 link section of the norway since it was mooted 1972 and successfully delayed a building of it since 1976, d the action had not been a ste of time.

She would be considering an peal. "But I will have to se quite a bit of money to go

Kenneth Gosling
A campaign to call the pub's attention to the indiscrim-

ite use of metal detectors will

launched in London today.
The Council for British

chaeology, supported by lies concerned with the vironment, is one of the unders of STOP (Stop Taking-

r Past), which is concerned it treasure hunting threatens - country's archaeological

the Detector Information

oup yesterday denied that

st people who used detec-

d the campaign was a direct ack on the half-million lowers of the hobby.

· Cambridge Union, the univer-

s debating society, has elected woman as president for the rth time in its 165-year history, he is Miss Melinda Libby, aged from Kingston upon Thames, is studying economics

oman president

were presponsible. They

to appeal", she added. The High Court action costs are likely to be between £1,500 and £3,000. It was the first time Miss Lovelock had engaged counsel; she argued the earlier part of the case in person.

Miss Lovelock, a landscape artist, said: "The Green Belt is under threat throughout the

Mr Justice Willis's ruling was welcomed by Movement for London, a pressure group which includes among its members the AA, the RAC, the Freight Transport Federation and the British Road Federa

It said: "There must be no further delay on this section of the M25 London outer orbital motorway. It is of great importance and value to in-

dustry and commerce ...
Mr Justice Willis, in his ruling, said the department's inspector had not been obliged to hear objections; that was at his discretion. The question, therefore, was whether potential objectors were worse off in that their opportunity to object had not been correctly publi-cized, than they would have been had there not been an offer to hear their objections at all. There was no evidence that that was the case.

Anyone genuinely wishing to put forward an alternative route would have questioned the notices and managed to put their proposal forward. That no one did suggested the opposite; that no one wished to.

Museum to refuse service to

who pick up material on sites at night, ask museums to identify objects, and then sell

Domestic ratepayers at Sand-

well, west Midlands, are to pay

an average 5125 extra a week. Rates in the borough will rise

by 28p in the £, a record increase.

them to dealers".

Record rate rise

treasure hunters suspected

press was one principle on which our society was built but another was upholding the law. The corporal made it clear be would have taken forceful action Campaign to curb use of if he was aware photographs reasure hunt detectors

were being taken.

The recorder said he found there was a real risk of a blemish of the peace at the time of The group also claimed yes-terday that the Museums Asso-ciation had advised museum the arrest It was a most unfortunate case he continued. He hoped a curators to shun people bring-ing in finds which might have been obtained illegally.

The association said that referred to an instruction given to the staff of Sr Albans

Man loses

bomb unit

From Our Correspondent

appeal over

photographs

Leeds
Lawrence Mercer, aged 52, a
press photographer, who was
convicted of acting in a manner

likely to cause a blemish of the

peace by insisting on taking photographs of an Army bomb

disposal unit, had his appeal

against conviction dismissed, with costs, by Judge Bush, the

recorder, in a test case at Leeds

Crown Court vesterday.

Mr Mercer, a staff photographer on The Yorkshire Post,
was bound over last December

by the Leeds stipendiary magis-

trate to keep the peace for a

The case arose because he

took a photograph at a bomb

scare incident in Aire Street.

Leeds, last June. The court was told yesterday that bomb dis-

posal squad officers made earn-

est and sincere requests through

the police not to be photo

They were on call for North-ern Ireland. They feared that

published wives and families

would be in extreme danger.

Mr Mercer sought advice from his editor at one stage and returned to the scene. He was arrested when he began

The recorder said Mr Mercer had disregarded the police requests and his editor's advice.

That is not unlawful, he

He said the freedom of the

taking photographs.

identifiable pictures were

graphed.

added.

working arrangement could be arrived at where bomb disposal officers risking their lives to save the public were not dis-tracted with fears for their safety through photographs and, on the other hand, press photo-graphers were not left wonderbreaking the law.

It would be undesirable, the association said, to drive information underground. "But we are concerned", it added, "about the activities of people who wish an average on sites. ing if they were failing in their

#### House of Keys family record Mrs Clare Christian, aged 34,

took her seat in the House of Keys, Isle of Man yesterday and was officially welcomed by Sir Charles Kerruish, the Speaker, who is her father.

It is believed to be the first time in a Commonwealth parlia-ment that a speaker has had a son or daughter in the same assembly.



Millionth visitor: Mr David Attenborough presenting a copy of his book Life on Earth to Patrick Flynn, aged 12, of St Olave's School, Orpington, who yesterday became the millionth child to attend London Zoo's educational and lecture tours. With them

is a llama named Charlie. The education department of the Zoological Society of London was formed in 1958 and Mr Artenborough was one of the founder-members of the society's educational committee. A total of 58,881 children took part last year.

#### **BBC** is urged to begin talks on pay

By a Staff Reporter Pay negotiations between the BBC and the unions represent-ing its 28,000 staff begin in a fortnight without any decision having been raken by the Cen-tral Arbitration Committee on a claim for comparability with workers in independent televi-

In a statement yesterday the committee said it had adjourned further consideration of the claim with the suggestion that the parties begin negotiations as soon as possible on a settle-ment due to be made on April 1, the start of the BBC's new pay year.

In his letter, of February 28, to staff Mr lan Trethowan, BBC's director-general, referre to a figure of 16 per cent being set aside for such matters as wages and salaries.

An award in respect of London weighting was made in February, backdated to last July,
The BBC is seeking to save

£130m over the next two years with a staff reduction of 1,500.
The proposed cuts, which will be discussed again by the BBC board of governors next week, brought a protest yesterday from most of the staff of Radio

### Official forecast '100% out' on airport security levy

Mr Kenneth Franklin, head of the Horizon holiday company, said yesterday that the Department of Trade was almost 100 per cent out in forecasting the rise in the security levy at airports.

Instead of a planned rise of about 30p in the levy to £1.10 it was suddenly decided to push it up to £1.60. That meant the extra holiday charge for a family of four would rise from last year's £3.20 to £6.40 next month, he told the Association of British Travel Agents' conference in Bournemouth.

The British Airports
Authority had changed its rules
for cheaper midweek flights,
which had "caused havoc" to operators advertising keenly priced flights on Fridays. At Gatwick now Friday flights were a part of much more ex-pensive "weekend" flights.

If government departments, quangos" and airport authorities were as efficient in budgeting their charges as the tour companies, many surcharge items could be dispensed with. Mr Franklin said.

But people did not complain when their mortgage repayments automatically increased

as interest rates rose, or when the price of a new car went up after they had ordered it.

Since his company's brochure had been printed, the company had been notified of 55 surcharges, some for several air-ports and others for single airports. They covered passenger taxes, landing, customs, handling and security charges, and 35 changes in the price of fuel.

Work had started on the 1981 holiday brochures for which negotiations with airlines and hotels had to be completed by mid-summer so that the bro-chures could be printed early in August, a year ahead of next summer's peak season.

Mr. Franklin said the main surcharge on the summer holi-days would be caused by the in-creases in aviation fuel prices, which had doubled in the past year.

He disagreed with Mr Clifford Jones, a Manchester travel agent who said that agents were being called "the sharp practitioners of the year

Duoners of the year", Mr Joues said that travel companies should explain more fully that the big oil surcharges were simply "sheikhs' inwere simply "sheikhs' in-creases" over which the operators had no control.

decide by-election

Trains and rain could

The weather will decide how many of the constituency's

14.000 pensioners more than a

quarter of the electorate come

out to vote. Most are commit-ted to Mr Edward Taylor, the

Conservative candidate, whose

policies on law and order and

the defence of traditional moral values attract many of the elderly. Bad weather could well

vatives had Mr William White-

law, Home Secretary, greeting them as they came back in the

The Liberal and Conservative

candidates also produced letters from Sir Peter Parker, chair-

man of British Rail, promising a better service on the South-end line, including such de-

lights as through corridor con-

nexions to improve access to

takes place tomorrow.

Mr Taylor admitted: "A lot will depend on whether the im-provement in train services

The Labour Party shunned such parochial issues and fielded

11 MPs, most of them from Scottish constituencies, including Mr John Maxton, who unseated Mr Taylor at Glasgow,

"We threw him out of

Scottish politics", Mr Maxton

Cathcart, in the last election.

the constituency.

late afternoon.

lavatories.

said, " and we want to keep him out of English politics." Two unknown factors seem likely to determine the result of the Southend, East, by-election tomorrow: the weather and the reliability of the train service to and from Fenchurch While the Liberals and Labour are pinning their hopes of winning this traditional Conservative seat on a low turnout, all

three main parties say they are

quietly confident Mr Taylor says be is much more confident than he was last week and that the number of doubters in the constituency has been reduced, although he admits to being worried that people who voted Tory for the first time at the last general election may defect this time because "they have found after une months that the grass is not greener and the skies are not bluer".

keep them at home and reduce the chances of a Tory victory. Mr Colin George, the Labour candidate, says that a canvass of half the constituency has The train service on the Southend line, one of the most found half the electorate com-mitted to voting for him. unceliable in the country, could influence the voting pattern of

the 7,000 commuters who live in Both the Labour and Couservarive agents say that they can find no evidence of a significant Liberal vote. Indeed it Both the Conservative and Liberal parties were wooing them yesterday. The Liberals had Mr David Alton, MP and is something that worries Lab-our since they had hoped for Mr David Penhaligon, MP out Conservative defections to the at 7 am to speed them on their way to work while the Conser-

Liberals to let them in.

Not surprisingly, Mr David
Evans, the Liberal candidate, horly disputes these findings. He says Liberals are running a close second to Conservatives in areas of private housing and to Labour on council estates. Mr Alton, the Liberal campaign manager, predicts that the Liberal vote will increase from 13 to 38 per cent.

Mr Evans also says that the contest was so close between the three major parties that no bookmakers in Southend were prepared to take bets on it. In this town of slot machines and amusement arcades it would be strange if no one has not put their money on the Tories to win, Labour to come second and the Liberals to come third.

General election: McAdden, Sir S. (C) Wright, T. N. (Lab) Hugill J. (L) Twomey, P. (Nat Front) C majority

### NF march ban approved

Mr George Younger, Secretary of State for Scotland, yesterday approved a decision to ban a National Front anti-IRA march through Glasgow on Saturday.

But an NF spokesman said that some kind of demonstra-tion would go ahead, although the ban on a march would be

Mr Patrick Hamill, chief constable of Strathclyde, on Mon-day asked Strathclyde Regional Council to ban all marches for

a month from Friday.

The request was passed on to Mr Younger, and his decision yesterday to back the regional council means that anyone who

defies the ban will face up to three months in jail or a £500

Mr Hamill asked for the ban to prevent "serious public dis-order". The NF planned the march for a day when thousands of Glasgow Rangers fans would be in the city for a home game and when up to 1,000 Londonderry boxing fans would be leaving after Friday's world lightweight title fight between Jim Watt, the champion, of Scotland, and Charlie Nash, of

Londonderry.

Glasgow Trades Council and the Socialist Workers' Parry had said they would stage counter-demonstrations if the NF march went ahead.

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#### **WEST EUROPE**

#### **Euro-Tories** ready to discuss vote reform

From David Wood Strasbourg, March 11 British Conservative MEPs

are prepared to discuss a compromise between the firstpast-the-post system and an element of proportional representation for the next direct elections to the European Parliament in 1984, Mr James Scott Hopkins, European Demo-crat leader, said here. He has in mind the propor-

tional representation systems used in West Germany and Australia, although he added that the group had no commit-ment beyond discussion. The Rome treaty requires the European Parliament to propose a uniform system of election throughout the EEC, but the decision will lie with the Council of Minesters under the unanimity rule, with ratification by parliaments. by national parliaments

Replying to questions from French journalists, Mr Scott-Hopkins doubted whether Westminster would accept a proportion representation system any more than it would for the 1979 election, except in Northern Ire-laud. Both Mrs Thatcher and Mr. Callaghan, Leader of the Opposition, have declared against adopting proportional representation in the past, and Mr Scott-Hopkins believes the system's supporters are still an all party minority in the Com-

On the question of passports, although the British Foreign Office has made a mock-up of a European Community passport, with a burgundy cover, the European Parliament will hear tomorrow that the proposal has been overtaken by computer

The Parliament is expected to produce a majority for a Community passport now that the British and French have yielded to the nthusiasm of Bonn. But already the International Civil Aviation Authority (ICAA) has devized a plastic card, rather like a credit card, which contains all the information appearing in bulky current passports. The Authority wants to introduce its card in the

next month or two.

The ICAA claims that the card could be inserted into a machine for checking and cut nut the delays of manual pass-port control. Mr Tom Spencer, European Democrat MEP for Derbyshire, will hhow the Parliament an example of the card when he speaks in tomorrow's debate.

The practical objection to the "credit card" passport is that it could not be used where visas are necessary and the political objection in Britain might be that it would be tantamount to a continental identity card. But within the Nine it would prove more convenient and quicker



A sure sign of spring on the way in the village of Gottenheim, southwest Germany, where storks are nesting on the church tower.

### Communal rioting in Belgium threatens coalition government

Brussels, March 11 Belgium was still counting the cost today of one of its worst recent outbreaks of intercommunal rioting last Sunday in the small Fourons district in the eastern part of the country. Shots were fired, 20 people injured, houses ran-sacked and cars overturned. All gatherings of more than five persons have been banned in the district until further notice by Mr Wilfried Martens, the Prime Minister, who has

also ordered an urgent investi-gation to establish responsi-

There is concern that the disturbances could put new strain on Mr Marten's Christian Democratic-Socialist coalition Government, which narrowly survived a crisis two months age only by jettisoning a third member of the coalition, the small Brussels-based Front of Democratic French-speakers. speaking Flemish militants, among them a small minority belonging to the para-military and openly fascist Vlaamse to 500 French-speaking Wal-

At the height of the rioting shots were fired from a Walloon-owned house wounding two Flemish demonstrators. The owner claimed later to police that he had been afraid that his house was about to be sacked by the Flemish mob. Altogether, material damage was estimated at £100,000.

The Fourons is a tiny enclave inside the French-speaking province of Liège on Beigium's eastern frontier with Holland. Most of its 4,500 inhabitants speak Plat-Diets, a German-Flemish patois, but it also contains an influential Walloon

In the early 1960's, as part of a general realignment of the language boundary between Dutch speaking Flanders and French-speaking Wallonia, the Fourons, previously part of the province of Liege, was trans-

The move was stoutly resisted by the Walloons who still agi-tate for return to Liège. The

Plemish territory. What is otherwise a small and unre-markable rural community has thus become one of the touchstones of relations between Belgium's French and Dutch

M André Cools, leader of the French-speaking wing of the Socialists, has questioned the impartiality of the Flemish police in Sunday's affray. Newspaper editorials have also asked why the Government did not take preventive action. both groups of demonstrators having given ample indication of their provocative intent. The other main talking-point

Brussels today was the failed attempt yesterday evening to kidnap Mr Leo Tindemans, the former Prime Minister, while he was on his way to a speaking engagement at Affligem northwest of Brussels.

Two men, Jean Buts, born in Brussels, but resident in Düsseldorf, and Edmond Douxmen have confessed their in-tention to kidnap Mr Tindetore convenient and quicker belonging to the para-military tate for return to Liège. The tention to kidnap Mr Tinde-check and openly fascist Vlaamse Flemish are equally insistent mans and to demand a £3m Parliamentary report, page 12 Militanten Orde, and about 300 that the Fourons must remain ransom.

#### the police ferred for administrative pur-Last Sunday's fighting was between about 2,000 Dutchposes to the Flemish province of Limburg. fils, of no fixed address, have country's 5,500 white farmers who Mr Mugabe has said be been arrested in connexion with the affair. Police say the wants to see remain in

French impressed by Mrs Thatcher's powers More than what she said, it graps the obvious. What is They appreciate that the understood, as one heard her was the way she said it and more, they did not seem to medicine which M Raymond speak later on with extreme the force of the personality mind, and played the game Barre, their own Prime Minimoderation of the need for the behind the words that impress willingly. M Elkabbash is ster, is compelling them to Palestinian Liberation Organizased French viewers about Mrs Thatcher's appearance yester-day on the Cards on the Table television programme. It was a personality that came through even the semantic shortcomings of the simultaneous translator. To a country still dominated by the Latin variety of male chauvinism which, as a former woman minister once confessed, holds that a woman cannot be both feminine and have a political instinct, the British Prime Minister proved convinexgly that it was possible to

combine hosts. the broadcast when M Alain Duhamel and M Jean-Pierre Elkabbash, both old hands in the art of getting politicians to bare their souls involuntarily by putting to them seemingly artiess questions, seemed cast in the role of a couple of naughty schoolboys reproved by their teacher with a raising of their teacher with a raising of which she grapples with the the eyebrows for failing to British economic "disease".

10 Downing Street he kept the memory of a woman "full of charm and seduction whose radiating presence conceals a great authority and a deep-seated desire to infuse some warmth into the climate of Franco-British relations."

There is definitely a Thatcher phenomenon in this country, which works its magic on French men and women from President Giscard d'Estaing downwards. They feel about her what is said to have been re-There were moments during marked once about Mme Simone Veil, now President of the European Parliament, that she the only man in the Cabinet.

They do not like her policy towards the Community, but they admire the determination with which she defends British interests and the courage with

quoted in Le Figuro as saying swallow is an emollient com-that of those 90 minutes at No pared to the emetic she is ad-the state of Israel to exist and ministering to her countrymen. M Barre has occasionally confessed privately with some regret that the psychology of his methods to cut government spending increase productivity

and reduce economic controls. He fully appreciates that Mrs Thatcher's attitude towards the Community is essentially linked to the kill or cure remedy she is determined to apply at home, and that if he were the British Prime Minister he would do the same thing, if not in the same

Mrs Thatcher's great art, an

for the Soviet moops to with draw from a country occupied by force, how she could at the time appeal to an electorate, incountrymen does not make it finitely more reticent today and possible to use the same grumbling against the rise of unemployment and of prices.'

The paper described her as a velvet woman "-with the steel, however, not far beneath the surface.

Le Quotidien de Paris waxed more lyrical and called her " not the Iron Lady, for that metal is too vile, too obscure, but a of uranium, with woman peculiar irradiations.

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### Lawyer's suspension angers Italian servicemen vote French legal profession

From Ian Murray

Fifty lawyers went to the Ministry of Justice today to protest over the summary suspension of a defence lawyer during the trial of anti-nuclear protesters at Quimper, in Brittany, lust week.

M Yann Choucq, the defence lawyer, has been suspended from appearing in any court until next Monday by the tribunal of Quimper, "for serious indiscipline and for attacking the interest of the cibunal of the cibuna the integrity of the tribunal and through it the public prosecutor.

M Chouce has been seeking bail for his clients, who had been arrested after disturbances which have become a daily occurrence at the public inquiry into a nuclear power station plan near Plogoff in Pinistère. The lawyer suggested that the only reason one defendant had been released and not the

others was that he was related to a member of the bench. The tributal immediately sus-pended M Choucq, so unleashing a storm of protest from militant members of the legal profession all over France. Yesterday, lawyers in Nantes re-fused to appear before the courts, and they have said they will continue their protest until next Monday. Lawyers in Stras-bourg have been called to observe a similar strike tomorrow. Demonstrations have been organized in Paris and at other

commissioners arrived there today to tour the sites which would be affected if permission is granted to build the 1,200 megawatt nuclear station on the granite shore outside the from

courts throughout France by lawyers, mostly members of the left-wing Syndicat des Avocats.

Meanwhile, the inquiry at
Plogoff has been drawing to its
close. The five official inquiry



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than forums for voicing grievances or complaints, but will ted to have about 6,000 memnot go so far as having a trade union role. They will be con-cerned with such matters as rations, accommodation, hygiene and sanitary conditions, sport and cultural recreation.

From John Earle will vote for candidates to stand in elections for the councils, Italian soldiers, sailors and airmen began voting today for representative councils. The Cobar will in turn elect intermediate-level which will then designate a central representative council

bers, both regulars and conscripts.
Included in this effort for greater democracy are not only the Army, Navy and Air Force, Voting procedures are com-plicated. Today and tomorrow Guaria di Finanza, which all ranks, in a kind of primary, vestigates financial crimes. tary gendarmerie, and the Guaria di Finanza, which in-

#### Angry lovers may have fired at army radio station

The Irish Republican Army publicity bureau in Dublin sent a message to Reuters in London today claiming responsibility for the attack as well as the wonding vesterday of a British corporal in Osnabrück. The IRA previously said it shot dead a British colonel here just over three weeks ago and

seriously wounded the driver of Munster.

Police said today they had taken off the seriously ill list. found cartridge cases from a —Reuter.

Bielefeld, March 11.—Shots starter's pistol near the army fired at a British Rhine Army radio station. may have come from a courting couple annoyed by a spotlight, West German police said.

Tatio station.

Soldiers reported seeing a man and a blonde woman in a mustar-coloured car near the scene. Police said they were mustar-coloured car near the working on the theory that the couple fired harmless shots at a station spoolight because it had disturbed their tryst.

A Rhine Army spokesman said that Corporal Steven Sims, who is serving with the Devon and Dorset Regiment here, was not badly hurt in yesterday's attack and that Corporal Stewart Leach, the driver ina British military police car in jured in the Münster shooting OVERSEAS

# Mr Reagan breaks Republicans' 'eleventh commandment' to criticize former President Ford

Mr Ronald Reagan and Mr George Bush, the leading Republican presidential candidates have finished campaigning for today's three southern presidential primaries and have disappeared to other parts of the country to watch the out-come on television.

On the other side of the political fence, President Carter and Senator Edward Kennedy, for entirely different reasons, Georgia or Alabama during the final days of the campaign. If Senator Kennedy manages to secure more than a few of the 208 Democratic National Convention delegates at stake in the three states, he will be well

Before the polls cosed to-night, the pollsters and the pundits had already decided what the outcome on both the Democratic and Republican sides would be Mr Carter, they said, would trounce Senator Kennedy even in Florida, which has more liberal votes than any other southern state.

Similarly they predicted that Mr Reagan would follow his impressive victory in South Carolina last Saturday with three more strong first place

The polisters' only doubt was how well Mr Bush would fare in Florida where he had con-centrated his efforts on winning votes in the moderate Republican belt in the central part of the state. This area supported former President Ford four years ago and played a major years ago and played a part of the state. role in securing the Republican nomination then.

Before he left Florida vester nobody's surprise, that he would day, Mr Bush conceded, to like to win Florida. "But I am a realist," he told reporters. "I just want to do respectably." Asked what he meant by the word "respectably", he responded with an acute eye for the reality of American presi-dential campaigning: "I guess would define it as finishing so that you people would write up that I did well."

This was an acknowledgement of the fact that the momentum

Mr Nkomo

Mr Smith said tonight he

would remain a member of the

Rhodesian Front Party, headed by Mr Ian Smith, but that he would not represent the party's

As widely expected, Mr Mugabe will take on the De-

fence portfolio as well as being Prime Minister. Mr Nkomo will

have responsibility for the

British South Africa Police and

the predominantly white para-military police reservists.

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'Sanctions spy' freed: Mr Kenneth McIntosh, the Scottish

"sanctions spy", was released today after serving six years

of a 17-year sentence on the order of Lord Soames and flew

home to Britain, Dan van der Vat writes from Salisbury.

interests in the Cabinet.

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Hampshire primary.

Later Mr Bush travelled to
Mobile, Alabama, for an election eve rally there. His
presence in that state was not
expected to have any influence
wherever on the outcome of expected to have any interior whatsoever on the outcome of the Ilabama Republican vote. His campaign aides have long conceded victories to Mr Reagan in both this state and

Georgia.

For Mr Reagan, the former

Forward of California, who Governor of California, who also left Florida yesterday for some last minute campaigning in Atlanta, Georgia, as well as Alabama, the threat to his front runner status no longer comes from Mr Bush. He is much more concerned that former President Ford may soon challenge his supremacy

in the Republican race.

When the former President first showed strong signs of becoming a candidate ten days ago, Mr Reagan said he would be delighted if his former rival hung up his golf clubs and joined the throng. Yesterday, however, he said Ford's claim that it would be

practically impossible for a right-wing Conservative like himself (Mr Reagan) to win the general election in November "I don's believe the ber. "I don't believe that any Republican or Republican can-didate should say that about any other candidate," he said. This was strong stuff from a

man who has sworn to respect what he calls the eleventh commandment: "Never criticize a fellow Republican".

In the past week, two of the leading contenders for the Republican nomination at this summer's national convention in Dtroit have withdrawn their candidacies and in Florida, at least, no one was quite sure how their former supporters

would now vote.

Theoretically, most of those people who would have backed Mr John Connally, the former Governor of Texas, should have transferred their allegiance to Mr Reagan on the right wing of the party, rather than to Mr Bush who is generally per-ceived as the more liberal

Jerusalem, March 11

salem.

In defiance of the recent

United Nations resolution call-

ing for the dismantling of all

lewish settlements on Arab ter-

ritory, the Israel Government

has revived a controversial building plan which would in-volve seizing some 5,000 acres

of land in occupied east Jeru-

It is understood that the plan has been put forward by Mr

David Levy, the Housing Minis-

ter and one of the main sup-

porters of an expansionist

settlement programme. It has

now been referred for detailed

examination by a Cabinet com-

mittee consisting of Mr Levy, Mr Yigael Hurwitz, the Finance

Minister, and Mr Yitzhak Zamir,

The purpose of the plan is to

extend the ring of modern Jewish suburbs which have been

systematically erected in a pro-

tective ring around the outskirts of east Jerusalem since the area

was annexed during the 1967
war. The United Nations
Security Council vote, which
America later explained it had

supported in error, specifically called for the dismantling of these suburbs which house at

It was the failure of the

Security Council to draw a

West Bank and the Gaza Strip, which particularly angered the Israeli authorities. Mr Mena-chem Begin, the Prime Minister,

described the demand to abandon them as "a barbaric

settlements in

the

skyline.

the Attorney General.

least 60,000 Jews.

distinction between neighbourhoods and

Israel may defy UN

by seizing more land

by surprising the pundits in the first tests of this year's election had come to a virtual halt since his overwhelming defeat by Mr Reagan in the New Hampshire primary. have been expected to pick up some votes from former sup-porters of Senator Howard Baker, the Republican Leader of the Upper House, whose

moderate. however, might have lost some votes to Mr John Anderson, the

Mr Anderson did not campaign personally in any of the southern states at stake today but he received wide television and newspaper exposure after England.

For Senator Kennedy, who never really expected to fare well in conservative southern states like Alabama and states like Alabama and Georgia, only Florida offered a faint prospect of a reasonable number of votes today. He was hoping that President

mere's settlements policy and to call into doubt the future status of Jerusalem.

When Mr Robert Strauss, Mr Carter's overall campaign manager, went to New York yester

views are considered to be The former CIA director

Writing in the influideological journal Kommic General Semyon Taxigon vice-president of the Compof State Security (KGB) over 400 subversive centry votes to Mr John Anderson, the only other remaining major Republican candidate, whose radical policies so impressed voters in Massachusetts and Vermont. organizations were at operating against the Union, and the danger them was increasing. He claimed that the act of this colossal machiner of the colossal machiner based on concerned by near victories in New based on concerred km

KGB chief

Russians to

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Moscow, March 11
The deputy head of the

The deputy head of the Soviet security policing iven a warning that the is stepping up its ideal subversion of the Sovier and is recruiting spies out details of the country nomic weaknesses.

plans, and plans were re exploit a specific political

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General Tsvigun said.

tion—though he did which.

alerts

Carter's mishandling of the Middle East vote in the United Nations Security Council would bring out a Jewish protest vote. Passions are still running high in the Jewish community throughout the country about the Administration's decision to condemn the Israeli Govern-

Indeed there were scuffles inside President Carter's cam-paign headquarters in Miami resterday between a handful of members of the Jewish Defence League and campaign workers The fighting started when the demonstrators chanting "Carter must go" invaded the building and a few punches were exchanged before police arrived.
In Washington yesterday,
Senator Kennedy told a Jewish female audience that the Administration's vote in New York was an "appalling betrayal of Israel", which was "hardly an isolated mistake".

one of the biggest construction

programmes undertaken in east

Jerusalem in recent years, and

provide housing for about 10,000 Jewish families.

According to Mr Levy and his supporters, the projected housing estates would end the

present isolation of Neve Yaacov, the most remote Jewish

As originally drawn up by the

and the other new Jewish suburbs. These suburbs contain

a large number of imposing

concrete tower blocks which have been widely criticized for

spoiling Jerusalem's historic

As well as advocating the

massive new development in

east Jerusalem, Mr Levy is also demanding the quick resettlement of Jews in the

centre of Hebron, the second

neighbourhood in east Jeru-salem, which is cut off physic-

#### as Solzhenitsyn, Ma Plyushch, Amalrik, Bu and others, who in recen were deported from or Soviet Union, and also th gade Sakharov, have b cluded in the list of th rabid ideological saboteu alleged. day to try to pacify Jewish voters there, his explanation that the whole affair was an unfortunate but honest mistake

The main aim of Ar and other Western intel services, he said, was to the unity of communis-tries, to undermine from the position of social those countries, and d the "historic achievem the peoples advancing al ticularly sought to dam. Soviet Union and its ‡ ternational prestige.

The article with its call for vigilance is sig for its timing. The I deeply involved in tig up internal control and ing down on dissidents paration for the Olympi at the same time it is str to ensure that no doub face internally over the intervention in Afghani: The Russians have la

ally from the other new suburbs which the Israelis have built up in the area over the past 13 a vigorous propaganda spread influence of radio broadcasts, and a trying to appeal to Sov Western criticism of th new development would have effectively sealed off the largest gap in the Israeli prement of dissidents is re part of a world-wide overthrow the Soviet ment

sence on Jerusalem's periphery, thus making it more difficult The last time the R for the city to be redivided in any future political settlement. launched a campaign In proposing the plan for for greater vigilance an frequent warnings that i ers in the Soviet Union be spies was just before after the invasion of stovakia in 1968. The clearly believes that In proposing the plan for-maily at the last Cabinet present tense internation session, Mr Levy argued that ation poses a similar idea the area in question was being danger for the Soviet filled by illegal Arab building, which was forming a dangerous wedge between Neve Yaacov

ship.
Significantly, General I also dwelt on the ecweaknesses of the Soviet and said Western intel agents were trying to ge information on this. The especially interested i economies of Central As Baltic states, the caucasus the Soviet Fa and the extreme north are areas where the R have poured in large inve in recent vears. fantasy".

If the new building programme is approved, it is
certain to create a new wave of
international protest, as most of
the land to be expropriated is
quarter in the town and these

The Russians are sware that the sluggish economy with its fallin ductivity poses the g challeneg to the leadersh is potentially the most Leading article, page 15 owned by Arabs. It would be will be put to the Cabinet soon. cause of popular disconn

### **Tehran students adamant** on holding US hostages

Continued from page 1
to see what new initiative they could come up with, especially as some of its rekgious members have pointedly denied that there was unanimity over the attempt last week to transfer the hard over documents on the council's the management of the council o the hostages to the council's control.

The similarities between the commission's visit and that of Dr Waldheim's in January were striking—disdainful treatment by the students occupying the embassy, harrowing confron-tations with crippled victims of the revolution and mourning families at the city cemetery. In a statement read out at the airport, the commission said it had informed the Iranian Government that it was not in a position to present a report on its investigations in Tehran -the sole condition set by Ayatollah Khomeini for the commission to meet all the lostages.

The statement said the commission would fly to New York for talks with Dr Waldheim on its future. It emphasized, however, that it regarded the investigation of the former Shah's 25-year reign and a humanitarian visit to the hostages as "indivisible". The commission also said it was prepared to continue re-

captured in the embassy, were brushed aside by the commis-sion as it left the Hilton Hotel this morning. The students finally managed

to thrust the documents which, they said, showed direct United States interference in Iran, into the departing car of one of the commission members. But at the airport the papers were returned to the Mr Qotbzadeh, who seemed

to have staked much on playing a pivotal role in effecting the hostages' release from the embassy, attempted to put a brave face on things. He insisted that the commission would return to continue its work after the talks with Dr Waldheim, when "some obstacles ''to their work had ceased.

However the only "obstacle in the commission's path—the students in the embassy—sounded in no mood to "cease". Instead, they called a nation-

### New York Jews protest a Carter policy on Israel

From Michael Leapman New York, March 11 Ten people were injured here

last night as Jewish students and militants demonstrated against President Carter's policy towards Israel. The violence occurred outside

a club where Mr Robert Strauss, chairman of the President's reelection campaign, was explaining the American vote in the Security Council on March I, criticizing Israeli settlements on occupied terri-Although Mr Carter said on

March 3 that the vote had been a mistake, the result of a failure communications, leaders have not altogether accepted that. The prevailing view is that the President tried to reverse his position after realizing the damage the vote could do him among Jewish voters in today's presidential primary in Florida, and later ones in Illinois and New York. Mr Carter's retraction speci-

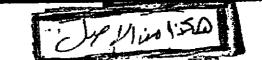
fically concerned the references in the resolution to Jerusalem. Jewish leaders point out, how-ever, that there is much else in the resolution repugnant to them, in particular the descrip-tion of some of the occupied territories as "Palestinian".

tives of the Jewish comm There is no lessening commitment in the heast". But Mr Irv I national chairman of the heast "Defence League, said: and his Jewish collabo are selling out the su

Rabbi Meir Kahane, fo of the league, was one people arrested after last in disturbance and charged assault, resisting arrest an assault, resisting arrest an orderly conduct. The leagure in the past claimed resibility for acts of violen support of Jewish Codirected particularly again

Mr Edward Koch, the rof New York, claimed in terview in the New York today that four of the deur's senior foreign polic visers were "anti-Israel" named Mr Donald McHenry William of the state of the senior foreign policy is the senior foreign to the senior fo United Nation's delegate Andrew Young, his pret sor; Mr Cyrus Vance, retary of State; and Mr niew Brzezinski, narional curity adviser.

Mr Koch has been sup ing Mr Carter in the New primary, which is to be a formight today.



# N rights commission dopts compromise elan on Dr Sakharov

m Alan McGregor eva, Merch 11

Western resolution in the ut measures against Dr l reiSakharov the Russian ident and asking the Soviet ernment for information abandoned today in favour "compromise proposal", pted without a vote. It says sideration of the issue will taken up as a priority at i year's session.

assessing Western strategy keeping Soviet treatment of Sakharov before the com-sion, Mr Jerome Shestack, United States delegate, told news conference it had hieven its objective"

or the first time, the case an individual Soviet dissit was on the agenda as a incr item. This "blockin the rule of law cated, he believed, that the science of many countries aroused so they felt someig had to be done. It demon-ted "the symbolic import-e of Andrei Sakharov to the se of human rights."

e described as nonsensical allegation in the commission Señor Luis Chavez Godoy, Peruvian delegate, of "a le off between the two erpowers"

his was a reference to a iet draft resolution, alleging tan rights violations in them Ireland and asking ain for information, having a withdrawn as a result of sultations in which the deleis of Senegal and Iraq acted go-betweens. "This type of sion," the Peruvian said, "is endangering the commisi's efforts".

Ir Valerian Zorin, the Soviet gate, said deferring the ject (of Sakharov) was "a more, for it means the unission is rid of consideraricated question was be ment.

resident Carter has reversed

decision to abandon the

the Senate for ratification.

here were grave doubts last whether Mr Carter could

ter the 67 votes he needed. n came the invasion of nanistan, and the President

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ald not be searched and r goods upt be confiscated. gence France-Presse.

acca, March 11.—Three e-owned Bangladesh news-

ers reappeared this morning on journalists called off a eday strike after agreement

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m Patrick Beogan

Ir Carter changes mind

2 treaty this year, and will "in the national security a ask Democratic leaders in interest of the United States and

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youd the commission's compe-

In addressing the commission ted Narions Human Rights after the adoption of the com-imission expressing concern promise proposal by Senegal and Iraq, Mr Shestack said their decision to continue to accord a priority to the Sakharov case ", would be heard by people such as Yuri Orlov, Mykola Rudenko, Levko Lukianenko, Vladimir Anatole Shcharansky, Antanas Torlockas Robert Nazaryn, Terleckas, Robert Nazaryn, Viktoras Petkus, "and the many other human rights spokesmen the Soviet Union

seeks to repress." He added "We shall watch carefully what conclusions the Soviet Union draws from the discusions in this commission transpires."

The resolution on Dr Sakharov, tabled yesterday by Viscount Colville of Culross, the British delegate, was a sequel to an earlier Western attempt—on February 5, the day after the session opened to have the commission intervene immediately in the Sakharov case by sending a relegram to Moscow asking for details to assist consideration of this matter during the present session.

The fact that the British resolution, co-sponsored by Costa Rica, West Germany, Nerherlands, Panama and Portugal, was not pressed to the vote reflected a feeling on the part of some Western delegates that to have the Sakharov case kept before the commission was preferable to another vote directly against the Soviet Union—after the commission's condemnation of the Russian invervention in Afghanistan.

During the four days of dis-cussions on Dr Sokharov, the United States and British delegates raised a series of allega-tions of discrimination on religious and racial grounds in the Soviet Union in violation of a completely pointless of human rights covenants e". He contended "this ratified by the Soviet Govern-

majority leader. Mr Carter

wrote thatthe purpose of the

treary, which he said remained

presumably been completed, and the first flush of disapproval of the Soviet invasion has subsided. The treaty's

chances in the Senate cannot

now be rated very highly, but it would seem probable (as it

#### Soviet drive to ease troops' fear of Afghans

Moscow, March 11

The Soviet Army newspaper today reassured the thousands of Soviet soldiers expecting to be sent to Afghanistan that villagers and tribesmen there are giving the Soviet troops a warm welcome and are grateful for

A report in Red Star said Soviet soldiers in the village of Hairhana, near Kabul, were providing medical aid, giving presents to school children, planting trees and helping peasants repair their farm implements.

The villagers had expressed profound thanks to the local Soviet commanders and were convinced the troops had come to Afghanistan with good in-tentions, the report said.

The dispatch is one of the first to describe day-to-day relations between the Soviet soldiers in Afghanistan and the local population. It comes at a time when many ordinary Soviet families have been alarmed by reports heard on Western radio broadcasts of attacks on the Russians and Afghan resentin need is a friend indeed".

An agronomist said he had visited a number of villages and cooperatives and seen how ment at their presence. The report from Kabul was

accompanied by two photographs showing a group of smilround a Soviet soldier from central Asia, and an old peasant in traditional dress sitting on a tank and chatting with the Soviet crew.
The Red Stor report said the

Russians had set up a medical tent in Hairhana where the local population was treated. The soldiers had helped the villagers redecorate the school and had given a concert for the children. They were preparing to help farmers plant

A bearded elder called Mahmoud was quoted as saying that he had worked for his living all hospitality and profound gratitude ". came with good intentions," he said.

A photograph issued by Tass which, it claims, shows "the attitude of all honest Afghans to Soviet soldiers is that of sincere

The paper said the artitude of all honest Afghans to the Soviet soldiers was one of "sincere hospitality and profound gratitude". The report said the villagers rejected all "vicious nonsense about Soviet soldiers and officers".

In recent weeks the Soviet press has begun to suggest that the Russians will have to stay in Afghanisian a long time. At the same time it has acknow-ledged that the Muslim insurgents are putting up a tough fight and it gave a fairly graphic account of the uprising in Kabul two weeks ago.

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vinced that the Soviet people coffins coming back from Afrevolutionary power. As a result, came with good intentions," he said.

Coffins coming back from Afrevolutionary power. As a result, ghanistan. Evidently the press Pranda added cautiously "part has now decided it is time to of them decided to lay down paint a rather more reassur-ing picture.

Today Pravdu said the situation was steadily returning to normal. The Aighan Government and party had made appeals to workers and religious leaders to create an atmosphere of confidence and trust, the paper said and was doing everything possible to encourage the return home of those who had left the country because they had " failed to understand the meaning of the erents Pravda said the Kabul Gov-

ernment had held successful ne-All this has alarmed the Russians, and there are widespread of some tribes who had been rumours about the number of misled and had resisted the

their arms".

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Meanwhile, the Afghan Gov-ernment has denied reports that President Karmal had agreed to the calling of an international conference to set up a police force to guard the Afghan border with Pakistan as a first step towards a Soviet troop withdrawal.

Calling the suggesion "the latest Western propaganda for-gery", Tass quoted an official spokesman as saying that only the people of Afghanistan and their lawful government could determine their destiny. They would not allow anyone else to settle issues falling within the competence of the leadership of

the trial or seeking its move elsewhere in order to profit from quick publication. (Mr Bailey has not yet published a book.)
Miss Hearst, now married and living in the suburbs of San Francisco, contends that her conviction should be set

aside on any of three grounds: Prejudicial pre-trial publicity. illegal recordings made while she was in jail, and the denial of effective assistance of coun-Arguing against her plea, Mr

Miss Hearst

lawyer let

her down

The Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals in San Francisco to-day is considering a request from the lawyer of Miss Patricia Hearst, who wants the

judges to quash her conviction for armed bank robbery. The newspaper heiress claims that

the celebrated defence lawyer, Mr F. Lee Bailey, rushed the case to trial because he planued

Miss Hearst, aged 25, did not appear in court on Monday. She was convicted of the robbery in 1977 and served less than two years in prison before Bresidens. Cartes 2000.

before President Carter com-muted her sentence, allowing

her to go free.

Her lawyer, Mr George
Martinz of San Francisco,
argued today that Mr Bailey's

apparent "conflict of interest" denied his client the right to

Much of his argument cen-tred on a book contract that

Mr Bailey was said to have signed during the trial. He claimed that the lawyer may have consciously or unconsci-

ously decided against delaying

to write a book about it.

claims

From Ivor Davis Los Angeles

Sanford Svettov, a United States assistant attorney, claimed that Miss Hearst was just looking "for someone to blame" for her conviction. "They can't blame conviction. "They can't blame it on the judge, they can't blame it on the judge, they can't blame it on the jury", he said. "The defendant can't bring it on herself to admit guilt so they blame it on defence counsel. In fact, there was extremely strong evi-

dence of her guilt."

The Patricia Hearst story hegan in February, 1974, when she was kidnapped from her flat in Berkeley by terrorists of the Symbionese Liberation Army. She later joined her captors and when she was arrested some 14 months later she was charged with bank robbery and other crimes. She was found guilty and given a seven-year prison

#### Peking leaders concerned over religious revival

Peking, March 11.-The Chinese leadership is concerned about a religious revival, especially among young people, at a time when two Roman Catholic cardinals are visiting the

country.
The newspaper China Youth said today that the more re-laxed line taken on religion in China during the past year was encouraging the development of religions.
The two Roman

prelates visiting China are Car-dinal Roger Etchegaray, presi-dent of the French episcopal conference, and Cardinal Franz König, Archbishop of and president of the Vatican secretariat for non-believers. They are spending about two weeks in China at the invitation of the Chinese People's Association for Friendship with foreign

### Moscow denies violating Pakistan's air space

From Richard Wigg Islamabad, March 11

The Soviet Union has denied that one of its Air Force aircraft violated Pakistan's air space 11 days ago. It has pro-tested at what it called an unprovoked attack" by two Pakistan Air Force fighters remare to submit it for ration of the entire world, but to ton. It was signed by Mr defer the debate so that Congress could assess Soviet actions Vienna last summer and intentions.

That reassessment has not the Senate for ratification. when the Soviet aircraft was inside Afghanistan's air space.

protested to Moscow immediately after the incident took place, the Soviet AN26 was intercepted by the Pakistan fighters on March 1 while it was flying over Chittral, in the northernmost tip of the country. After warning shots it was escorted back towards Afghanistan and left when it was within five miles of Afghan

and had given instruction that the Soviet aircraft must not be harmed

This was the first reported had penetrated Pakistan air The Soviet Embassy said here

Soviet assistance was winning over the population and giving them confidence in the future.

Afghan party workers told

the paper's correspondent that counter-revolutionaries were de-

nouncing the Soviet presence in Afghanistan and were threat-

ening reprisals against anyone

who associated with the Russians. But these efforts "to

play on the backwardness and immaturity of a part of the population" were doomed to failure, the correspondent was

"Even those who first naively believed the liars are

According to Pakistan, which

it would seem probable (as it seemed last year) that it will do better this year than it might next year, after the presidential

ported that President Zia had been informed of the incursion

occasion when a Soviet aircraft space, according to Islamabad, since the Soviet invasion of Afghanistan, at Christmas. However, the Pakistan authorities have claimed that more than 20 incursions into their air space were committed by Afghani-stan's Air Force in a 28 day period since Christmas.

today that two Pakistan fighters fired on the AN26 while it was operating over an Afghan locality near Jalalabad. It accused the pilots of attempting by gestures and firing to force territory. the Soviet aircraft to proceed Pakistani officials then re- towards Pakistan.

Last year 26 embassies or consulates were

are allowing people to go the That border for food ole to distribute enough rice.
r Li Po, a provincial food
health services director in ambang, said, however, that puches would be capable wercoming its food crisis in his was reported by Mr ues Danois, press officer of United Nations Children's d, who met Dr Li Po in

Until the middle of 1972, kidnapping was a far more popular guerrilla tactic than what the police call barricade and ' incidents. Militants in Brazil, Guatemala, Urugusy and Argentina developed the prac-tice of kidnapping prominent foreigners, both diplomats and businessmen, and exchanging them for ransoms and political concessions. When security forces destroyed most of the guerrilla organizations in those countries, the scene of such operations moved to Mexico, Colombia and El Salvador, It is

increase.

year, 10 more diplomatic missions were taken over, three in El Salvador, two in Peru, and one each in Guatemala, Mexico, Colombia, Panama and Belgium. Some siges have been peaceful and have lasted only a few hours. But the recent siege of

the Spanish embassy in Guatemala ended in the death of 39 people when police stormed the building, and others such as that in Colombia, where the guer-rillas are demanding £22m and the release of 311 political prisoners. look set for a long

Twelve ambassadors are still inside the besieged embassy in Bogota. In terms of high-ranking hostages, it is probably the most profitable haul since the oil ministers of Saudi Arabia, Iran, Managala and Calembia years. Venezuela and Colombia were seized at an Opec meeting in Vienna in December, 1975.

The question about how to protect diplomats has concerned foreign ministries since Mr Burke Elbrick, the Charles United States Ambassador to Brazil, was kidnapped from his car in Rio de Janeiro in Sept-ember, 1969. The responsibility for the safety of diplomats lies with the host country; treaties

of ancient Greece, the "inviol-

Yet no one has defined exactly who is entitled to that

In July, 1977, the Rand Cor-poration published a report on

# occupied, mainly by revolutionary groups

# Hostage-taking a growing evil

ages have been held captive for 18 weeks. In Bogota, the siege of the Dominican Embassy is entering its third week. Neither looks ready for an early end. Meanwhile, the ractic of taking bostages to press for social and economic reform is growing. In El Salvacior alone, 455 people are being held prisoner by guerrilla groups.

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Last year, 26 embassies or consulates around the world were occupied, mainly by revo-lucionary groups. Between Janu-

ability and protection" ambassadors.

protection, nor what the diligence" mentioned in interdocuments actually means. Most embassies appoin their own security staff. But their job is not, as the figures show, an easy one and most really safe only if they lived and worked in special diplomatic compounds.

the outcomes of international incidents involving the taking of hostages. It disclosed that between September, 1969, and June, 1975, a United States official or government representative was taken hostage or kidnapped every three months. The average did not vary when, in March, 1973, the Administra-tion demonstrated its no-concessions policy by allowing two senior diplomans to die when the Black-September Palestinian group 200k hostages in the Saudi Arabian embassy in Khartum. The kidnappings con-

# sychiatric watchdogs face Russian pressure

is part of their efforts to ir Moscow of dissidents in e for the Olympic Games, Soviet authorities have ted a new campaign of assing members of the scow-based Working Comsion to Investigate the Use Psychiatry for Political

'ews of the campaign was en in London yesterday by a ner member of the commis-1 Dr Alexander Voloshanothe Soviet psychiatrist, has just arrived in Britain r being given two weeks' ice to leave the Soviet Union result of his activities.

peaking at a press confer e organized by the Royal lege of Psychiatrists, Dr oshanovich said he had ome interested in the prob-of psychiatric abuse while king in a Moscow clinic. A n closer investigation, bowr, it turned out that the man been committed for probeen committed for proagainst his unfair to the Soviet Union.

dismissal and for displaying placards about it in a Moscow square. Fortunately, Dr Voloshanovich was able to get the man's case re-examined by a special commission and to have him released.

Having been alerted to the problem. Dr Voloshanovich investigated further and in 1977 became an active member of the working commission. He volunteered to examine dissidents who had been committed. or feared an imminent committal, to mental hospitals and in almost every case was able to pronounce them same.

But his activities came to the notice of the hospital authoriries and after a campaign of systematic harassment and humiliation, he was forced last year to resign from his

Dr Voloshanovich said that in the last few weeks the preskman had been transferred sure on members of the comhis department who was mission had increased. Mr Vya-cribed as a schizophrenic. cheslav Bakhmin, a leading

The charges, which carry a sentence of up to 12 years imprisonment and exile, are re-lated to the commission's Information Bulletin, whose 20 issues to date contain 600 pages of scrupulous documentation on psychiatric abuse.

Mr Alexander Podrabinek, author of Punitive Medecine. the most authorizative exposure of Sovier practice in this field. has twice been searched in north-east Siberia, where he is serving a five-year term of exile, and threatened with a new prison sentence.

Dr Leonard Ternovsky. a Moscow doctor, Mr Felix Serebrov and Mrs Irina Grivnini have all had their homes searched, and Mr Serebrov was jailed for 15 days on trumped-up charges. Dr Ternovsky has also been threateningly interviewed by Professor Petrov, the head of the First Moscow Medical Institute where he works, and has recently had his telephone disconnected.

Special tribute was paid by Voloshanovich to the support Dr by British psychiatrists, whose active intervention with Moscow

publicity they generated, had been instrumental in saving some patients from drug treat ment and in obtaining releases or changes of diagnosis for others.

The Royal College of Psychia try in particular had for some years been in regular touch with the Moscow commission had reported on individual cases to Soviet and international psychiatric organizations, and had kept up the pressure.

This was confirmed by Dr Perer Sainsbury, who pointed out that the Royal College had been instrumental in persuading the World Psychiatric Association meeting in Honolulu in 1977 to set up a special review committee on the abuse of committee on the abuse of psychiatry and had been the first to submit cases for the

committee to examine.

Despite fierce opposition from Soviet psychiatrists, who threatened to resign if the committee was set up, it had succeeded, after long delays, in holding its first meeting last month. No Soviet psychiatrists had yet re-

#### EEC-Asean blow to the Kremlin unanimity ought to be trans-lated into concrete proof in the

Kuala Lumpur, March 11
The European Community
and the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (Asean) overcame considerable resistance among themselves here last week to jointly condemn the Soviet Union for sending troops into Afghanistan and for stage managing the lovasion of Kampuchea by Vietnam last

This was evident in the careful wording of the statement and informed sources conceded that the bargaining at times was tough. There were members within

each group opposed to naming both the Soviet Union and Vietnam as aggressors, but the end statement not only did that but also blamed the Soviet Union for having expansionist inten-tions in Asia Asean, however, was careful to insist that despite its political stands, which technically were informal sessions of the foreign minis-ters, it intended to remain a

The statement dealt another political blow to the Soviet Union following the stinging rebuke it got from the United Nations General Assembly and others including Third World, countries, for its invasion of Afghanistan. The EEC position on the

issues was hammered our at the meeting of its foreign ministers in Rome last month.
As for the Asean nations, all except Singapore have been careful not to mention Vietnam

the Societ Union to task for its form of EEC assistance in get-ring the economies of the five moves in Afghanistan. But the move itself, according to EEC sources at the

conference, arose from fears of action against Yugoslavia after the death of President Tito. "This possibility weighed heavily in our minds when the foreign ministers met in Rome last month", said one senior EEC diplomat. "We had to take a strong stand." He con-ceded that it had been difficult persuading some of the EEC

restanting some of the EEC countries, particularly France, to go along.

Similar reservations were held within Asean, particularly among officials in Bangkok and Kuala Lumpur. While there is general unanimity among the Asean. Asean countries—Thailand Malaysia, Singapore, Indonesia and the Philippines—on oppos-ing aggression in Kampuchea, the position is generally muted by a marked reluctance of all

but Singapore to be highly critical of Vietnam's actions. had been couched in general terms, calling merely for the expulsion of all foreign forces from Kampuchea Several EEC foreign ministers privately conceded that the

political statement, rather than the economic cooperation pact which was the purpose of the meeting in Kuala Lumpur, was of sufficient import to be an "important benchmark" in the Community's future ties with

There is a feeling within Asean that this newly found

Asean countries off the ground.
There is a growing feeling that there ought to be regular meetings of the 14 foreign ministers. Under the economic cooperation pact, there is provision for regular specialist committee meetings. But the foreign ministers themselves seem to feel that they ought to meet for wider agreement in such areas as Soviet expansionist tendencies.

"It is fortuitous that in the present meeting, there was already a ready made issue that we could draw our attention to "noted one official. While there are advantages in this, the cobwebs of suspic-

ion in both groupings can only be removed slowly. One EEC foreign minister kept grumbling to his staff that the Community ought to have concentrated not on Asean, but on South America. Indeed, the pact does

leges granted to the African, Caribbean and Pacific (ACP) countries under the Lomé Convention. Another foreign minister pointedly said the pact itself did not amount to much. Even among Asean foreign

ministers, there were reservagive them all they wanted. However they see it as a beginning with more negotiations ahead of them before a meaningful

pact is agreed to. | countries.—Age Leading article, page 15 | Presse, Reuter.

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# **Opposition parties link** up to put pressure on Gandhi Government

From Kuldip Nayar Delhi, March 11

Delhi, March 11

The opposition parties in the Indian Parliament have joined hands to put pressure on Mrs Indian Gandhi's Government.

Today was the first day of the budget session, and the entire Opposition in the Lok Sabha, (Lower House) walked out after Mrs. Red. Page the Seaker, re-(Lower House) walked out after Mr Bal Ram, the Speaker, re-jected a series of adjournment motions over rising prices and the atrocities against Harijans

the atrocines against narians (formerly Unrouchables) in Pipra, a Bihar village.

In the Rajya Sabha (Upper House), the Opposition jointly protested against the "arbitrary dissolution" of nine state assemblies and demanded an arabit profileration of the Presiearly ratification of the President's proclamation on the sub-

At a little distance from Parliament House, the Opposition parties — the Communists, the Janata and the Lok Dal—held a demonstration to protest against rising prices and the de-teriorating law and order situa-

teriorating law and order situation. A huge procession
marched through the streets of
Delhi in a similar protest.
What is borhering the Government is not the spate of
protests but the fate of the
President's proclamation on the
dissolution of state assemblies. Under the constitution, it has to be approved by both Houses of Parliament within two months. The assemblies were dissolved on February 16, therefore the ratification must be by April 17.

Mrs Gandbi's Congress Party has no problem in the Lok Sabha where it has a majority of two-thirds of the members. situation bei

enough strength in the Rajya Sabha with only 89 members in the present House of 233.

Nearly 75 members are due to retire on March 31 as one-third of the Rajya Sabha members retire every two years. If the Government places the proclamation before the House after March 31, the House will have 75 members less.

Of the 75 retiring members 35 are from Mrs Gandhi's Congress are from Mrs Gandan's Congress Party. Hence, its strength will be reduced to 64. This does not give her a majority of the approximately 150 remaining

The Opposition accused the Government today of "buying or pressuring" members to increase its strength.

trease its strength.

Mrs Gandhi's Congress Party
tried to have the state assembly
elections in the first week of
April so as to get a new crop of
Raiya Sabha members. Since
the party swept the polls for the
Lok Sabha, it expects to do likewise in the states.

However, W. S. J. Shakdhar

However, Mr S. L. Shakdhar, ne Chief Election Commissioner, has said he cannot hold the assembly elections until May. He wants to have the elec-

want to have the electronic rolls revised.

What follows if the proclamation is rejected is not clear. Mr Shakdhar has said that "dissolution is like death" and that assemblies cannot be

However, some experts argue however, some experts argue that the dissolution is only "conditional" and if the con-stitutional obligation is not ful-filled—an approval by both Houses within two months—the situation before the dissolution

### Prison term demanded for former Korean Army chief

From Jacqueline Reditt Seoul, March 11

A 15-year prison sentence for General Chung Seung Hwa, the former Chief of Staff of the Army and martial law commander, was demanded by a mili-

tary prosecutor today.

At a preliminary court martial, General Chung, aged 51, was charged with helping Kim Jae Kyu, the former direc-tor of the Korean Central Intelligence Agency (KCIA) who shot President Park Cheung Hee last October, in a plot to seize power after the assassina-

General Chung's defence is based on the claim that he was unaware that Mr Kim was the assassin. He said that his co-operation with Mr Kim after the event was in line with his duty as Army Chief of Staff to maintain national security.

He said that he did not realize that it was Mr Kim who had killed the President until the chief presidential secretary, who had witnessed the shooting, told him several hours later. He

realized, too late, that he had been used by Mr Kim. General Chung's lawyer to fade away honourably".

#### Asean objections | Man held for to chean air fare restrictions

By Arthur Reed Air Correspondent

Representatives of the five Asean nations—Malaysia, Singa-pore, Indonesia, the Philippines and Thailand—began talks in London with Department of Trade aviation officials yesterday in an effort to obtain a relaxation in the rules covering air travel through their countries.

They are particularly concerned that under the terms of cheap Apex (advance purchase excursion) fares operated by British Airways and the Austra-lian airline Qantas between London and Australia passengers are not allowed to break their flights for a short period

on the way.

Travellers wishing to stop off must pay a much higher fare.
The Asean delegates will con-

The military prosecutor said that common sense could not accept the defendant's allega-tion that he did not know who the assassin was. He said that strict evidence was not neces-sary to prove criminal intention and it was clear from the facts disclosed and circumstantial evidence that General Chung had been prepared to help Mr Kim conceal his crime and carry out his secitious plot.

General Chung, who had been the house next door to the KCIA restaurant where the president was shot and accompanied Mr Kim to army headquarters immediately after the shooting, should have suspected Mr Kim of the crime the prosecutor claimed, especially when he refused to tell him exactly what had happened.

Instead General Chung had asked Mr Kim for instructions about positioning army forces, had failed to report the events to the Defence Minister. When Mr Kim was finally arrested, he had told his captors to treat him with courtesy.

The sentence will be pronounced on Thursday. Mean-while Mr Kim and four fellow ses proved this. Reminding the court of General Chung's 32 years of active service in the army, he said he regretted that the old soldier was not allowed.

## freeing dolphins on jail fast'

Tokyo, March 11.—The wife of an American environmen-talist arrested for helping bun-

talist arrested for helping hundreds of dolphins escape slaughter visited her husband today and said he was "fasting until he gets out of jail".

Fishermen on the western Japanese island of Iki, meanwhile, continued to process dead dolphins through a shredding machine and said they would kill any more that appeared in the waters. appeared in the waters.

Mrs Susan Cate of Hilo,

Hawaii, a representative of the Greenpeace conservation group, visited her husband, Dexter, in custody in Sasebo, 675 miles south-west of Tokyo, where he is being held pending investigation.
Prosecutors are investigating

Mr Cate's alleged cutting of a rope on a fishing net at Iki that allowed hundreds of dolphins tend in London, and in other European countries, that the loss of revenue from tourism is affecting their economies.

meetings in Nairobi. Mr Binaisa said they had covered bilateral issues—especially measures to smooth the flow of Ugandabound goods through Kenya from the port of Mombasa combating border smuggling, and cattle raiding in Uganda. He added: "We reached agreement on all these matters."

President Moi said that there

agreement on all these matters."

President Moi said that there could be no question of discussing the possibility of Kenyan troops being sent to Uganda while Tanzanian troops remained in the country.

Relations between Kenya and Uganda are now much plant.

Uganda are now much closer Uganda are now much closer than they have been for many months, and the warmth of the Kenyan welcome for President Binaisa since his arrival yester-

day was a visible sign of this.

### Tanzanian troops prepare to withdraw from Uganda

From Our Correspondent Nairobi, March 11

From Our Correspondent
Nairobi, March 11

President Binaisa of Uganda
completed his talks here today
with President Moi of Kenya
and Uganda
Presidents have held several
meetings in Nairobi. Mr Binaisa and later told reporters there had been no discussion on the provision of Kenyan troops for Uganda.

President Binaisa would not comment before he left Nairobi on the reported withdrawal of many of the Tanzanian troops who have been in Uganda since former President Idi Amin was

ousted last year.

However, reports from Kampala say about half the Tanzanian force is being withdrawn over the next few days and many Tanzanian troops were seen today preparing to leave for home. President Nyerere of Tanzania recently threatened to withdraw his troops, which have helped maintain internal helped maintain internal security, because he was exas-

#### Chain collision

Manila, March 11.-A speeding lorry hit a delivery van, triggering a chain collision of 24 other vehicles that injured 17 people, two seriously, on an expressway south of Manila. 11 cholera deaths

Jakarta, March 11.—Eleven people have died of Cholera on Lombok Island in the Lesser Sunda archipelago east of Java during the past two months, according to official statistics.

Professor David Smith, a member of the Conservative Party's Baker committee, bases his article (Social Focus, February pases his article (Social Focus, February 20) advocating the break-up of the Inner London Education Authority, on which he is leader of the opposition, on the premise that "the onus is on those who argue for the retention of ILEA to produce incontrovertible evidence... that these unique statutory arrangements had to be made". Here he seems to be confusing two different aspects of the ILEA.

The present arrangements for he

The present arrangements for its election are unique, although not necessarily the worse for that. But far more important is the existence of a single education service for the whole inner Loudon area. That has existed for 110 years, ever since publicly-provided education was introduced. tion was introduced.

Successively under the control of the School Board for London (1870-1903), the London County Council (1904-1964) and the ILEA (since 1965), a single authority has run education in virtually the same area. In consequence schools, colleges, adult education institutes and other institutions are located without regard to internal boundaries. I suggest that the onus is on those who would end this long-standing arrangement to show why it

hould be broken up.

In an inoulry in 1977-78. Sir Frank Marshall (a Conservative local government man reporting to a Conservative GLC) found "this . . . would make little sense for the successful operation of the education service and would greatly add to financial problems facing London's local government". Sir Frank, now a vice-chairman of the Conservative Party, said a few days ago: "The physical and financial difficulties in setting up new local education authorities in the inner London boroughs would be so severe that, in my submission, only a fool would attempt it." He further estimated that if education were handed over to the boroughs, the increased cost "would be about 30 per cent more in all than currently the cost of education is with one single authority like ILEA".

The fact that the ILEA precepts on the boroughs rather than levying rates direct does not distinguish it from the 47 county councils which run education in most of England and Wales. The criticism that, as a single purpose authority, it may ignore the claims of other services is met by the one truly unique aspect of its constitution, namely that 13 of its members are dele-gated by the City and borough councils in

Alone among precepting authorities, it includes representatives of the rating authorities in its structure, alongside the 35 directly elected representatives of the inner London parliamentary constituencies. It is said that education does not figure prominently as an issue in GLC elections. This is not my experience in my East End constituency, but if it is true elsewhere it

must be because the candidates shrink (run by the borough councils) is more from making it an issue. Certainly it does than double (at £82) than in outer London not spring from the relationship of the (£39) and two and a half times that in the electorate in inner London to their repre-

sentatives at County Hall.

Ever since 1904 the parliamentary constituencies of inner London have been electing members to County Hall (first to the LCC and then to the GLC/ILEA) with functions which have included the manage-

ment of education.
Professor Smith bases his case partly on figures culled from the Baker report, some of which are shamefully inaccurate, some or which are shametuny maccurate, some crudely selective. The worst example is the table purporting to compare examination subjects taken and passed in ILEA and in England and Wales on the basis of the number of subjects per 1,000 children in secondary schools.

This table includes two glaring statistical errors. The use of a base of 1,000 pupils (unknown in other comparisons of educational performance) is highly misleading because it conceals the different secondary school organizations of individual authorities. ILEA, with 11-18 schools, has a

proportionately higher number of secondary pupils than authorities with 13-18 or 11-16 schools and terriary colleges.

Baker and Smith further distort the picture by comparing ILEA figures (both for the specious 1,000-pupil base and for subjects taken and passed) with national figures which include candidates from independent and direct grant schools and even overseas candidates.

A different picture of ILEA examination

results is provided by the recently pub-lished 1977 figure of 12 per cent of all ILEA school-leavers obtaining at least one A " level compared with a national local authority figure of 13 per cent. Differential rates of examination passing

are mainly a factor of social conditions. The social conditions of inner London can be summed up by four figures: 24 per cent of children qualify for free school meals against a national average of 14 per cent: 27 per cent come from one-parent families; 40 per cent are born to mothers not born in the United Kingdom; 10 per cent have a first language other than English. It is hard to believe that any other area can show such a combination of disadvantage.

This is the explanation of the need for the high education spending in London, made possible by its high level of resources. The figures used for comparison by Professor Smith in this respect are ridiculously selective. The authorities he chose for comparison are among the lowest spenders in the country. Areas such as Newcastle (£511 per pupil), Manchester (£494), Brent (£557) and Richmond-upon Thames (£513) are omitted from the

The cost of all local government services in inner London is high. For instance, expenditure per head of population on personal social services in inner London

than double (at £82) than in outer London (£39) and two and a half times that in the

country as a whole (531).

Professor Smith and his colleagues on the Baker committee have completely falled to recognize how small the inner London boroughs will become in the next few years in terms of pupil numbers. The Baker report uses projections for 1986 based on the 1971 census which are com-

based on the 1971 census which are completely our of date.

At present only seven local education
authorities in England and Wales (five
outer London boroughs, Powys and the
lise of Wight) have fewer than 30,000
pupils and only two (Richmond and Isle
of Wight) have fewer than 20,000. The
average is 86,000.

ILEA projections, which are updated
annually by reference to the numbers

annually by reference to the numbers actually in schools, show that by 1986 Kensington and Chelsea with 9,000 is likely to be half the size of the present smallest authority, Westminster is likely to have 12,500, Camden and Hammersmith/Fulham 15,000 each, Islington, Hackney and Tower Hamlets fewer than 20,000 each and all except Greenwich fewer than 30,000: It is said that boroughs should combine, but if they do, what becomes of the argu-ment that education policy should be determined in the elections for individual

One thing is sure to grow if the boroughs take over, and that is the cost of admini-stration. That was a common feature of-both the London reorganization of 1964 and the national reorganization of 1974. An authoritative estimate recently quoted in The Times Educational Supplement cal-culated that the break-up of Middlesex County Council in 1964 added 20 per cent to administrative costs.

For example, if ILEA were broken up, thousands of children would be moving from one authority to another, requiring recoupment payments from their home authority and the attendant administrative

and clerical organizations.

London suffered terribly in the late 1960s and early 1970s from teacher turnover and shortage. The present stability in schools is now bearing fruit in the im-proved performance of primary schools which our regular system of evaluation has clearly revealed. This improvement is also now becoming evident in the lower years of secondary schools.

Does London education really need the trauma of a complete and costly upheaval, which most of the borough councils don't want, and which will divert everyone's attention towards the search for new jobs and new forms of organization and away from the vital job of educating inner London's children?

Sir Ashley Bramall

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## **Dubious benefits of maintenance Bill**

The Child Maintenance (Annual Uprating) | Bill, which seeks to index-link child main-tenance payments, comes up for its third reading in the Commons on Friday. While its prometters claim it is designed to help one-parent families it is hotly opposed by the very organizations whose clients might

be expected to benefit from it.

Jenny Levin, a legal adviser for One dinner of a Bill. It's a mess". If passed it would mean that mointenance payments to children would be increased annually in line with inflation. But not all payments. Only those that were up to or below sup-plementary benefits level. The rest would

remain untouched.

The main beneficiary, claim One Parent Families, would be the Department of Health and Social Security. About half of recently announced an inquiry into the

benefits and they will end up with no more than they would have done anyway. The principle behind the Bill is highly dubious. Such maintenance payments are supposed to be fixed by the court on an individual basis and varied upwards or downwards according to circumstances. Just because prices or supplementary benefit levels go up, say One Parent Families, it doesn't mean a man's wage

packet has Mrs Linda Chalker, whose department would have to administrate the index linking, has given some mind-boggling figures of the increased pressure that

if this Bill became law.

Moreover, the Law Commission has

would result on her staff and the courts

one-parent families receive supplementary in inancial aspects of divorce, so piecemeal legislation now seems even more inap-

A measure of the incompetence with which the Bill has been drafted can be gauged from the fact that affiliation orders refer only to illegitimate children and aliment is known only in Scottish Jaw. It is a most point whether the Bill has any application to children of divorced parents living in England, which was surely the intention of its formulators.

Ironically, the Bill is likely to be de-bared at length because this is the only way that opponents of Mr John Corrie's abortion legislation can make sure that that doesn't see the light of day.

Maggie Drummond

# Hitting offenders where it really hurts

Both the May Committee and Parliament's Expenditure Committee have stressed the need for more non-custodial ways of dealing with offenders in order to lighten the load on the prisons: but neither had any new ideas. The Expenditure Committee discusses expedients such as week-end detention which the Wootton Committee endorsed nearly a decade ago, and the stricter form of supervision order which the Younger Report proposed in 1974 (but which proved extremely unpopular with the probation service).

The May Report is equally devoid of

new proposals, and a good deal less opti-mistic than the Expenditure Committee: "While we have not overlooked the possibility of creating fresh alternatives to imprisonment, it seems very likely that over-hopeful-sometimes merely fashionable—expectations of non-custodial dis-posals have persistently been used to defend the allocation of inadequate resources to the prison service . . ."

It is true that really new non-custodial sentences are hard to devise. The only important innovation of the seventies was community service, for which Lady Wootton personally deserves most of the credit. It now operates in most parts of England and is even being taken up by the scepti-

cal Scots.

I am not overlooking the experiments of some probation departments with ideas such as day training centres or new careers (the use of ex-offenders to help more recent offenders); but whether any of these will be adopted nationwide re-mains uncertain, and there are no obvious rivals at the moment to community

service.
What needs to be pointed out is that those who were searching unsuccessfully for new ideas in the seventies were doing so in blinkers. They assumed that what hey were looking for must be remedial

they were looking for must be remedial in nature. It had to be reformative (improve character) or rehabilitative (make it easier to go straight).

The possibility that it might be easier to find a new non-custodial deterrent was overlooked. It may even have been an example of a repressed memory. At least two new deterrents not involving incarceration had been introduced in the 1950s attendance centres for teenage males and fixed penalties for illegal parking. Neither had been spectacularly successful, and in any case deterrence had become a dirty word by association with capital punishment. But penologists are getting less prudish

been replaced by "You can deter some people in some situations from doing some things by some penalties". The penalties need not necessarily be hanging, flogging, amputation, long prison terms or othe measures that do lasting damage.

Fines can be a harmless deterrent if their amounts are sensibly adjusted to the offender's means. (Fixed penalties are less effective not merely because of the diffi-culties of enforcing them but because the amounts are so low as to constitute nothing more than a stiffish tax for the reasonably well off.)

Disqualification from driving, although officially a precautionary measure, is now adays used as a deterrent; and there is research evidence that for drunken drivers it is not entirely ineffective. Towing away obstructive vehicles is another deterrent, but costly in terms of manoower. Courts can confiscate cars, other vehicles

or indeed any property used for the commission of crimes carrying at least two years' imprisonment, and can also disqualify drivers in these circumstances. It s arguable that these measures should not be restricted to offences for which a car The objection that it is unfair to inter-

fere with a man's driving if it has nothing to do with his crime belongs to Mikado-justice. By all means besitate if disqualifi-

cation would endanger has that is another matter.

Another deterrent is stigma, which many potential offenders are said to fear more than a sentence, especially if they have heen convicted. We stigmatize that the sentence is the sentence that the sentence heen convicted. than a sentence, especially it they have never been convicted. We stigmatize learner drivers with an L-plate: why not careless drivers with a C-plate, at least for a few months? As for other offences; local newspapers stigmatize offenders for shoplifting, drunken driving, violence, sexual offences; but do so selectively and therefore unfairly. therefore unfairly.

Public identification of offenders should

be under the control of courts (as it is in the case of juveniles). I am not arguing that courts should always prohibit identi-fication; but it would be better if they and not the newspapers decided when this is in the public interest.

It may be argued that stigma causes not

It may be argued that stigma causes not merely temporary discomfort but lasting barm. Certainly convictions can result in the loss of jobs, friends, even families: but when this happens it is usually the grapevine and not the newspapers that is the medium.

A few offences are so stigmatizing that he can offence have for recovery and in

about it, and more scientific. The silly the social effect lasts for years; and in slogan "Deterrents don't work" has now such cases efforts should be made to limit

rather than promote stigma. At the other extreme the stigma of a motoring or drunkenness conviction is short-lived and probably beneficial.

By and large, the tolerance of most groups in our society is such that it is possible even for newsworthy people to live down quite serious convictions.

A proposal which has been mooted from ime to time over the past quarter century is that perty offenders should be required to report to some centre at times which would interfere with their leisure: for example on Saturday afternoons—a pro-posal that seemed especially suitable for football hooligans.

scortish sheriffs used occasionally to make this a condition of deferred sentences. The Wootton Committee recommended it as "a mild and not necessarily ineffective deterrent" and suggested that the reporting centres should be police stations.

Unfortunately the police were unwilling to be used in this way, although offenders on bail and motorists who have to produce licences and other documents are often required to report to police stations. It is an idea which the present Government might well reexamine.

Finally, the praticability of "home detention orders" needs serious discussion. Such orders would prohibit offenders, for periods of weeks or even months from leaving their homes except during specifield hours of the day or in emergencies. The idea is not quite unheard of; a Californian judge has used it for one or two women offenders. As an alternative to imprisoning parents of young families it has obvious advantages.

Enforcement would obviously be patchy: but so is the detection of disqualified drivers. No doubt it would be likened to "house arrest" in South Africa. But house arrest is open to criticism not because it is inhumane but because it is ordered by a minister instead of a court, for political reasons and for long periods.

To all these suggestions it will be objected either that they are unsuitable for some offenders' circumstances or that

they will hurt some more than others. Yet the same can be said of every penalty in the statutes. If non-custodial thinking is to make any progress it must make a latered jump, and acknowledge that "treatment" is not the

only or the most practicable aim. Nigel Walker

The author is Wolfson Professor Criminology at Cambridge University.

prisoner absconds Regina v Shaw
Before Lord Justice Donaldson, in the case their too must withdraw. It is in judge requested counsel in the case their too must withdraw. It is judge requested counsel had an almost cretion whether he did an almost cretion whether he did an old interactions had a control of the bar too the b

A trial judge has no jurisdiction to dismiss counsel from a case or order him to remain if he is required by the effquette of the Bar to leave.

The Court of Appeal, which was The Court of Appeal, which was considering an appeal by an accused who absconded during his rial, said that the Bail Act, 1976, had led to a regretable increase in the number of defendants who absconded, and called for urgent consideration of the resulting problem by the Bar Council and Law Society.

Law Society.

Their Lordships allowed an appeal by Elvis Edward Shaw, aged: 20, of Ross Street, Cambridge, who, in his absence at Cambridge Crown Court (Judge Wild) on May 4, 1979, was convicted of robbery and, after arrest on a bench wairant, sentenced on May 8 to three years' imprisonment. His conviction was quashed.

My Lord Expert for the appelment. His conviction was qualified Mr John Farmer for the appellant; Mr Michael McMullan for the Crown.

the Crown.

MR JUSTICE KILNER BROWN, in a reserved judgment, said that the appellant was present in the early stages of his trial. Counsel's instructions were that the appellant would give evidence and that witnesses were available. When the appellant went absent the judge investigated and concluded that it was voluntary. He exercised his discretion properly and rejected an application to discharge the jury and order a new and rejected an application to dis-charge the jury and order a new trial. Unfortunately, as a second stage of his ruling and before deciding whether to commune in the appellant's absence, the judge considered the position of his counsel and solicitor. He said, "The absence being, in my judg-ment, intentional, then his instruc-tions are deemed to be withdrawn

mem intentional, then his instructions are deemed to be withdrawn and they can take no further part in the trial on his behalf whether by way of cross-examination or calling other winesses. Although both counsel and the solicitor wished to continue their representation, they were prevented from so doing by judicial order. The new rule of the Council of the Bar, under the keading "Representation of an absconding defendant—counsel's duty!" provided that if the defendant voluntarily absconded during the trial and defending counsel's instructing solicitor, in accordance with the ruling of the Law Society, with-

#### Taxed as investment income

Ang v Parrish (Inspector of Before Mr Justice Walton

[Judgment delivered March 7] [Judgment delivered March 7]
Payments made out of earned income under deeds of covenants are to be assessed as the investment income of the covenantor under section 32 of the Finance Act, 1971, and may, therefore, be subject to a surcharge over the ordinary rates of tax.

His Lordship so held in dismissing an appeal by the taxpayer, Mr Victor Ang, from a decision of general commissioners against an assessment to income tax on

assessment to income settlement income for 1974-75 of \$2,200 that arose from two deeds executed by the taxpayer and his wife covenanting to pay annually \$2,200 to their respective parents

în Singapore. Mr Andrew Thornhill for the taxpayer; Mr Peter Gibson for the

Crown.

MR JUSTICE WALTON, in a reserved judgment, said that the case raised a curious point as to whether sums of £2,200 paid under the covenants were the investment income of the taxpayer and liable to income tax at the additional rate. The matter arose because investment income was subject to a surcharge over ordinary tax rates and it was common ground that if the £2,200 was to be regarded as investment income the regarded as investment income the assessment was valid. Was what started out as part of the taxpayer's earned income transmuted into investment income by the provisions of sections 457 and 454 (1) (a) and (3) of the Income and Corporation Taxes Act, 1970? Section 457, as amended by the Finance Act, 1971, provided: "(1) Where, during the life of the settlor, income arising under a settlement made on or after April 7, 1965, is . . . applicable for the benefit of any person other than the settlor . . the income regarded as investment income the for the benefit of any person other than the settlor . . the income shall, for the purposes of excess liability, be treated as the income of the settlor and not as the income of any other person." Section 454 (3) defined "settlement" as including covenants.

meht" as including covenants.

The payments made by the taxpayer under the covenants clearly would be reduced by the amount of basic rate tax under section 52 of the 1970 Act and bence would be deductible from his total income for the purposes of tax in excess of the basic rate (see section 32 (1) (b) of the 1971 Act). Thus one began by the taxpayer's income being reduced for the purpose of ascertaining his total income by the amount of the covenanted payments. But then under section 457 it was necessary to add back those payments in order to ascertain the amount of that total income.

Mr Thornhill submitted that the philosophy behind section 457 was to cut at the root of the principle philosophy behind section 457 was to cut at the root of the principle of deduction and to say in substance that there should simply be no deduction. Thus, he said, for the purposes of excess tax rates, the taxpayer's income remained of precisely the same nature as it always was, and as the covenanted sums were most suitably paid out of earned income, they should remain earned income.

But Mr Gibson pointed out that for a considerable time the pattern of the income tax legislation had been to deprive any income paid

of the income tax legislation had been to deprive any income paid under covenant of its character of earned income. It would therefore, he submitted, he extraordinary if section 457 did swim against the tide on that matter.

In IRC v Conthew Investments Ltd (1966) I WLR 716), the only authority having any possible bearing on the case, the balance of opinion of the House of Lords was in favour of the view that the exercise was to "deduct and add back" and not simply to "deduct". That, his Lordship concluded, was the correct approach.

The fallacy underlying Mr Thornhill's valiant attempt to argue otherwise lay in the fact that the two economically equivalent sums—the sums paid by the taxpayer pursuant to the covenants and the income arising under the same mature.

Solicitors: Pothecary & Barratt; Solicitor of Inland Revenue.

The judgment in Davidsans v Jones-Fenleigh (March 11) was given by Lord Justice Roskill and not by Lord Justice Stephenson, as stated in our report.

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oriented, but they came to their iobs with a love for, and knowedge of classical music and not infrequently, training in its disciplines (Lieberson was a graduate of the Eastman School of Music and, like his son today a composer). This experrise led them to take risks for the sake of music, and gave heir product a tone and sinew of the company and which has

The American recording industry is caught in a descending vicious symphony conductor. It is now a vital ingredient Already circle. Patrick J. Smith reports from New York on a situation in which artistic standards count for progressively less than fringe finance.

A lamentable lack of imaginative leadership

cal music, and that attuned more to sales appeal than to musical factors.

The recent hyperbole which surrounded the discovery of the aged pianist Ervin Nyiregyhazi may have had its musical justification as a window on a long-lost pianistic world, but the marketing of his records, which emphasized his derelict existence in the fleabags of the West Coast, was directed from risky. the strict advertising standpoint of instant, and maximum, fiscal return irrespective of musical worth. It is indicative fies this situation. In 14 years that the newly appointed head of the Columbia Masterworks division. Simon Schmidt, comes from a background of account-

ing and finance. This situation is exacerbated by the relative unimportance of classical recordes vis-a-vis the popular, and by the fact that, as popular records sales fall, classical records bear part of the brunt of cutbacks. Also, the major labels are today lessthe major labels are today less for music, past and present, by er adjuncts of giant conglo- an alert and informed mind. which reflected to the credit merate companies, whose main and her stable of composers of the company and which has activities and revenues do not and artists—including William activities and revenues do not or the company and which has activities and revenues do not and artists—including william continued to enrich its treas- derive from records, classical Bolcom, Jan De Gaetani, Paul ury through the sales of back- or popular. Thus the projects Jacobs, Joshua Rifkin and list items. These men have and needs of the classical Arthur Weisberg—was first been replaced either by department command an everaccountants—those slaves to diminishing share of attention, of Elektra/Asylum, which the bottom kine—or by men

by the corporation's financial department. Where Lieberson, for instance, had the stature to be able to argue against (if not entirely eliminate) these tendencies, no one today can be said to occupy his position. Moreover, given the rapid turnover on this level of management, no one is likely to take a strong stand for any thing which might be fiscally

Teresa Sterne, artistic director of Nonesuch records, exemplishe had created a dynamic and vital record company, combining licensing of recordings from abroad with new recordings of a range of old and new American music, from a crosssection of major ecoposers, as well as ethnic music from around the world, on records inexpensively priced. Her catalogue stands as a superior example of what can be done

who have only peripheral, being considered from a and a perceived narrowness of superficial knowledge of classi- rigorous profit and loss basis vision dictated the firing, and the label will now be run by Keith Holzman, the brother of the founder of Elektra records, who is described as "a man with eclectic tastes". Protests from critics, performers and composers over the dismissal were to no avail. There are two further ram-

> a record company's assets. The The recent dismissal of other is the backlog of record ings, which are part of the company's value but which are equally, if not more, part of the history of the form and of performance itself. The apparently unfounded rumour (generated by the sale of Decca?) that RCA Red Seal was to be dealt to a German firm led Peter Davis to write in The New York Times: RCA's archives quite literally contain the history of this country's musical life from the turn of the century to the present."

The other ramification is the increasing interdependence of recording contracts and sales and the financial health of symphony orchestras. Not long ago the ability to sell records was a pleasant, but nor impor-

tant, factor in hiring a resident a vital ingredient. Already there have been dramatic cutbacks in the recording of American orchestras, and the prospect is that in future there will be no long-term contracts on a single label, but only specific deals, again dictated not by artistic but financial (ie sales) considerations. The kind of planning that envisioned a series of records of Prokoficy's Leinsdorf took over the Boston Symphony from Charles Munch—a project that foundered in mid-course-will not ilications to this unsettled now even be considered, state. One is that current except perhaps for another recording is only one aspect of Any extended look at American music-such as for instance a broad view of the American symphoney from 1930 to the present—will be left to the non-profit labels underwritten by foundation grants.

It is axiomatic that a leaderless industry, without set goals and policies, will drift. Tendency to immediate regard will be heightened, and the piecemeal will replace the long-range. The results will reflect the caution in the input, and will inevitably become ever more subject to being eliminated by the accountants as a waste of effort and money. This is the situation that confronts the classical record industry in the United States if it does not come up with a new, strong and enlightened breed of dedi-

to be the South's answer to Coronation Street. Come fiery

hell or high water, regular doses of King Billy and his gritty clan

will become a medical neces-sity for all of us.

launched on such an auspicious

tide. Written and directed by the team who made Out, filmed

entirely on location by top technical talents, including both

the star of Scian and a genuin-ely handicapped child in its

cast of over 200, Fox has even induced 20 South London fam-

ilies to give up their front rooms and gardens, to add "authenticity." It has, protests its author Trevor Preston,

nothing to do with criminal-

ity" but is about "warmth and family" in a "very very hard community." It is, says its producer Graham Benson,

more than anything else about

Fox is smoothly and wittily written, looks and sounds lovely.

people like our viewers." Ob,

seems little more demanding than that of Sir Alec Guinness in Tinker Tailor. The first epi-

sode was a model of good

characters, each with individual-

ized quirks and problems, and

tried and trusted kind. Can

these stereotypes live? If I

at the LSE and that the visitor

is much the smarter customer. His latest non-exploit is an attempt to reduce staff at his

really?

Rarely has a series been

# Quest for a part worth playing

Calculating by the age of his youngest daughter, who was born during the run of Harold Pinter's Tea Party and The Basement, Donald Pleasence reckons it has been nine years since he appeared on a London stage. Not long after that he was in a classic Broadway flop, a production of Simon Gray's Wise Child which played to cheering audiences for two weeks of previews before the first-night review in The New York Times chopped the official run to three nights. Reflections, the new play by John Peacock which opens at the Theatre Royal, Haymarket, tomorrow, marks his first return to the stage since that failure.

"I took it very badly", he recalls. "I made the mistake of responding, not in my own defeuce, for my performance had been praised, but because I thought the play had been badly treated and misunder-stood." His performance, in fact, was nominated six months later for Broadway's highest honour, the "Tony" award, making the fourth time in four performances that he had been nominated.

After the opening night of Wise Child the company went on to the rirual party at Sardi's. For a while the celebration was unimpeded by doubt, but after a phone link to The New York Times brought Clive Barnes's his rejection of the play, the celebrants disappeared. What made one angry was that all these rich and powerful people left the party immediately after hearing that one review, leaving our heads on the chopping block."

Pleasence has certainly not lacked for work since, appear-ing in film and television without much rest, but where in the past he felt he was part of the past he felt he was part of the theatre world and only mak-ing excursions into cinema—un-forgettably in such films as Roman Polanski's Cul-de-sac he now feels something of an outsider returning to the closed world of theatre. In the eight or so years since Wise Child he has become a "film person", joining the people he used to see as "zombies" when he was part of the more flamboyant theatrical life.

His disappointment at that play's failure accounts for much of his long absence, but until Peacock's play came his way or ms long absence, but inter-professional English revolu-tionary who led Madame du Berry back to her death in the French Revolution, he had been hard-pressed to find a part that challenged him. Peacock, a friend of Pleasence's daughter Angela, "is kind enough to say he wrote the part for me", though the role is something of a straight departure from the offbeat characterizations in odd

plays which have become Pleasence's speciality. Because so few suitable scripts have come his way in recent years, and he has a dedication to new writing which is visible throughout his career, before Reflections came along he was very tempted to place an advertisement in Time Out or the New Statesman to flush



Donald Pleasence in Reflections

out new plays. It is an idea that continues to interest him, and since new plays can disappear for months or years while they circulate from the national companies to commercial managements he would still like to see what he might discover by inviting playwrights to send scripts to his home in Chiswick.

There is in that, and in his angry defence of his friend simon Gray's play, a surer indication of his attachment to the theatre than the time he spent in film. He began asting in repertory companies before the Second World War, but his climb to prominence began when he was released from a German prisoner-of-war camp and appeared in a production by the young director Peter Brook at the Lyric, Hammer-

smith. Although he is outspoken in his opinion that directing is easy and overvalued, that does not carry over into his assessment of Brook, whom he calls an authentic genius." I have nothing but praise for him what-ever he does, whether it's walk-ing over the Alps or taking actors into the desert."

He first met Brook when he went to see his friend Paul Scofield performing at the Birmingham Rep at the end of the war. He remembers being introduced to "this little boy with long hair and a donegal tweed suit" and being told that he was the director, then still under 20. A little later, still wearing the Royal Air Force uniform of a flight lieutenant, be auditioned for Brook at the Lyric and was cast in The

Brothers Karamozov with Alec Guinness. That was not the end of his work for Brook then and he

was cast in a production of Sartre's Huis Clos, though Brook told him his premature baldness made him unsuitable for the part he wanted. Undaunted, Pleasence "went to Wig Creations and got a ter-rible wig" and prepared the role. Brook was convinced and Pleasence recalls it as "the only time I've gone baldly after a part".

In the past, Pleasence has written plays as well as acted, even living as a writer for a short time when a play of his won a prize from the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation, but as his skills as an actor matured he put that aside. Recently, however, he has written a children's story called Scouse the Mouse which he recorded with Ringo Starr and Barbara Dickson. He says that he only got interested in writing again when he started telling stories to his children.

Acting remains his vocation, particularly when he can find roles that suit him in the modern theatre—though he was very nearly lured to Stratford, Connecticut, to play King Lear, the only part in the classical repertoire that really attracts him. The problem is finding roles that can match his parts in The Caretaker or The Man in the Glass Booth. If you know a playwright with the right play you might mention that Ma Pleasence is interested.

Ned Chaillet

RTESO/Pearce Festival Hall

William Mann

Ireland's current orgy of cultural enterprise in London, under the title A Sense of Ireland, is almost over, but has managed to include a concert by the Symphony Orchestra of Radio Telefis Éireann, presently engaged on a tour of Britain, Belgium, Prance and Germany. To the Festival Hall on Monday they brought Bernadette Greevy in Mahler's Lieder eines fahrenden Gesellen, an Olympic Festival Overture by Gerard Victory, who is their director of music, and Tchaikovsky's fifth symphony. Their chief conductor, Albert Rosen, whose work will be familiar to many readers. readers, gave the direction of this London concert to his young assistant Colman Pearce, not yet so well known but a conductor of whom we expect to hear much in the future.

The RTE Symphony Orckestra's present standard is high, although it is not easy to characterize departments, or the whole orchestra, with an epither that instantly suggests itself. The brass choir excels, precise and resplendent and dauntless; woodwinds are nicely blended, with sensitive soloists (the principal flute perhaps specially winning in tone and musicality), the strings eminently capable, with a capaciously sonorous bass department and strongly singing high violins. Their leader, Audrey

handsome to look at. In the Tchaikovsky Mr Pearce paid exemplary attention to matters of nuance throughout, and was generously rewarded. The music emerged with welcome freshness and impact: neither he nor his players are tired of it, nor am I. Some tempi

Park, is extremely able, and

instance, marked Allegro con anima), but Mr Pearce stuck to them, seldom changing pace unless required by the com-poser. It was an honest and honourable interpretation.

Victory's Olympic Overture, now five years old, had already given a heartening idea of the orchestra's ability and finesse. The pastoral middle section with flute solo, and the hymnal tune for horns, supposedly second century AD Greek by Mesomedes, catch the ear more than the marches and fanfares necessary to such occasions, here rather nondescript in invention.

In Mahler's early song-cycle Miss Greevy's rich and expressive mezzo-soprano reminded us how seldom nowadays we hear it. Her reading of the music was short on meaningfully pointed words, especially consonants which she often swallowed, and on real musical eloquence—she were more solemn than seems to me desirable (the exposition of the first movement, for colour would tell much more. Some of the reviews on this page are reprinted from yesterday's later editions.

#### **Television** Panorama BBC 1

#### Michael Church

One by one the current affairs programmes are inducing us to gaze on Medusa's face. On Monday it was Panorama's turn, with a necessarily frightening report. The Swiss have purposebuilt fall-out shelters. We shall be lucky to get Government instructions on how to build a Wendy house. A fireball over Westminster will cause my house to explode and myself to disappear, but Government films held ready for use on television will tell me firmly to stay at home. Careworn Lord matter. As the man in the street said again and again, "You've had it, int yer!"

The importance of this intelligent programme lay in its scrutiny of the slightly wider options open to those who live and in its reports on prepared central character, played by that ness in rural Devon and on Humberside. Up there, some bureaucrats are now unblinkingly envisaging twice-daily body and the same transfer of the fact that his particular transfer ingly envisaging twice-daily body collections and summary executions for looting. They know it makes sense.

All of which was bad luck on formula writing, introducing a World in Action, whose excelplethora of plausibly rounded lent report on Britain's questionable uranium trade with ized quirks and problems, and Namibia's South African rulers laying the foundations for upstaged. Bur better luck, however, for Thames, who on Monday unveiled Fox, television's warch Fox again it will either latest wonder-drug. Fox will run be by accident or from strict and run, and may well turn our medical necessity.

Yes. Minister BBC 2

Jan Stephens

No one in his senses will bother about the nine o'clock news on a Monday night when he can turn to Yes, Minister on the second channel. The series has proved so far to be high comedy in high places, with a new and eager Minister for Administrative Affairs being put through his paces and broken in by the infinitely experienced and only moderately patient Permanent Secretary and other civil

servants. Their protégé, for so he literally is, is a political innocent turned loose in the world of Trollope's Gods and Titans where nothing is as simple as it looks. Does he pounce indignantly upon a Government order to a foreign manufacturer that should, he thinks, have come to Britain? It is only to discover that this is the prime minister's pet sprat to catch a huge American mackerel. Does he have to cope with an

#### Hitler in Liverpool Gate Theatre Club

#### Ned Chaillet I do not find the Gate Theatre

in Notting Hill Gate a likeable or welcoming place, either entering the theatre or visiting the public house below. John Antrobus, on the other hand, is very likeable, friendly in the manner of a man who would be willing to tickle a joke or his own play to death in order to please you.

He nearly does that by taking on the role of Alois Hitler, the brother of Adolph, in his new play Hitler in Liverpool. His puppy-like eagerness to make the audience laugh has him frolicking about while he waits in Liverpool's Lime Street station for a visitor from the Continent who turns out to be Adolph,

Alois trumpets his pride in owning a £5 suit, throws money to a tramp who sits too near his English wife, and pays off a down-and-out volunteer who has nicked his face to pieces trying out the new safety razor that Alois is licensed to market. It looks very much like his play when Adolph enters, a wan, mute ghost resembling nothing so much as a freshly to masturbate, that does finally assembled monster off Dr crush Mr Antrobus's good infrankenstein's assembly line.

nunistry. Starting at the top, as the ingenious permanent secretary wickedly suggests, he finds that without car and chauffeur, for instance, open government is rather too open, and that a minister needs an element of mystery as much as a film star or a crowned head. Now the charm of all this is the geniality with which it is observed and expressed. For all their deliberate absurdities the

authors, Antony Jay and Jona-than Lynn, give one the feel of departmental administration, just as Henry Cecil's comedies about judges and barristers persuade the reader of the correctness of his law. And Paul Eddington (the minister) and Nigel Hawthorne (permanent secretary) drop into their parts as though they had been made for them, as perhaps they were.

What is not a joke is the loud guffaws of the studio audience, which do nothing to add to our enjoyment. To end Does he have to cope with an on a cheerful note: I spied among the acrors on Monday official visit? Then it turns out they were once fellow students law, Frank Tregear.

Mr Autrobus carries on in his frenzied good humour, con-fessing that he is the black sheep of the family, announcing that Adolph is the saintly brother who cared for their dying mother, and being

revealed as a seducer who has impregnated the young Annie Watkins. Adolph barely awakens for the entire first act, instead sitting like a sponge while the German exile, Dr Sphlitz, tosses out slogans of racial hatred and while Bridger Hitler announces that men would be happier with baby farms than

Despite Mr Antrobus's distracting clowning, he has not written a trivial play, though it may in some ways be a foolish one. Like Bill Morrison, who dropped Hitler into a Jekyll and Hyde play ser in Liverpool, and Beryl Bainbridge, who was also curious about Hitler's 1912 visit to Britain, he has imagin-atively tried to show the city's

impact on the future Fuehrer. Largely because of the awakening monster that Richard Bremmer is able to portray, the production has a claim to seriousness. But there is a Freudian silliness to his conclusion, linked to a spectral baron who commands Adolph

Football

# Reeves teams up with Allison and joins an exclusive £1m club

Kevin Breves joined football's exclusive film club yesterday, and was given an immediate reminder of how his fortunes have changed. He was told that he would make his first appearance for Marchester City on Saturday for Manchester City on Saturday in the home match against Arsenal, and admitted: "My memories of Arsenal are not very pleasant." Arsenal are not very preasant.

Thirst over three years ago,
Rearies began a month's loan with
Norwich. City by playing at
Arsenal. He missed an open goal.
losked like the raw 18-year-old
her was, and was taken off after
an flour. "It was my worst game
flya. Norwich." Reeves recalled
yesterday, "and we ended up
losing 1.0."

Now Reeves collects 550.000 as his share of the fee, but accepts that a lot of the credit for his rise to riches belongs to the Norwich manager, John Bond. "He has taught me a lot and improved my game tremendously. And he had the faith in my ability to back his judgement in the beginning." beginning."

Mr Bond rejected a £1m bid from Manchester City for Reeves this season, because the proposed deal involved Channon in part deal involved Channon in part exchange. City's manager, Malcolm Allison. persisted, however, and last week offered 5750,000 in straight cash. Mr Bond and the Norwich board held out, but on Saturday the Maine Road directors met, and approved the seven-rigure offer, which the chairman, Peter Swales, then confirmed by telephone with his Norwich counterpart. Sir Arthur South. ith small attendances and interest rates stretching resources at Carrow Road, where a new stand and ground improvements had made cash scarce. Sir Arthur accepted the bid. Now Reeves, joins Francis, Gray and his new team colleague,

Daley in the £1m club. Daley in the £1m club.

Reeves's move looks set to spark off a clearout at Maine Road. Manchester City must find a total of £1½m to finance the deal, because levies and VAT will be added to the clear £1m promised to Norwich. Viljoen, the former Inswich Town player chosen by Mr Allison for last night's match at Liverpool, the full back Donachie, who is being chased by Coventry City, and Paul Futcher are among the players who could leave as City try to balance the books.

With transfer activity increasing as: tomorrow's deadline approaches, total spending since last March is certain to top a stunning £40m—and there is no sign of the big money deals ending.

The Staffordshire East Euro MP Robert Moreland is the latest to call for a ceiling for transfer fees, and has asked the European commissioners to investigate the problem. His move follows com-plaints by the Stoke City manager Alan Durban that the Potterles

Common Market

inquiry into

Squash rackets

By Rex Bellamy

guash Rackets

Correspondent Qamar Zaman, the 1975 winner,

took only 43 minutes to beat Magsood Ahmed, 4-9, 9-1, 9-4, 9-1, in the semi-final round of the British open squash rackets

the British open squash rackets championship, sponsored by Avis, if the Wembley Conference Centre yesterday afternoon. The other match resulted in a victory for Geoffrey Hunt over Mohibullah Khan, by 9—5, 9—1, 9—1, in the separate evening session.

The afternoon programme was padded out by one match in the over-45 event and one in the over-

35 event. Customers who had paid

25. 26.50 or 110 for their tickets were naturally less than enthusiastic about the entertainment provided in return. Professional equath has to be a highly priced spectacle because of the limited number of spectafors who can be accommodated. But there can be no excuse for charging such wires.

no excuse for charging such prices without offering at least two matches between players of the highest class: except, of course, on the day of the final. It was

no surprise to hear mutterings about a "ripoff" and it must be doubtful whether many spectators will take the same buit again.

56. 58.50 or 510 for their



Reeves: grateful for the faith shown by Bond

tries, they have not attempted to restrict fees paid by clubs for transfers in the same country.

A Football Association spokes-man said yesterday: "There are no other discussions at the moment about limiting fees ".

Frank McGarvey, Liverpool's Scottish international striker, has sigued for Celtic for £275,000. He did not make a single first team appearance during his 10-month stay at Anfield. McGarvey, who joined Liverpool from St Mirreu for £300,000, was also wanted by Aberdeen but he plumped for the Parkhead club he supported as a boy.

commissioners have already had talks with UEFA and players' organizations, and although they have set a limit of 2m Swiss francs (about £500,000) for transfers between Common Market countries they have not attempted to Scottish Premier League and Scottish Cup. McGarvey made two appearances for Scotland last appearances for Scotland last year, but as a regular Anfield reserve has been out of the interreserve has been out of the inter-national spotlight. Liverpool's manager, Bob Paisley said: "If Frank had been prepared to battle on with us as he said last week, I would not have wanted to sell him. He has been playing well in the reserves and scoring regularly. That is what created this fresh interest in him."

Coventry's manager. Gordon Milne, has called Aston Villa's withdrawal from the £750,000 Mick stay at Anfield. McGarvey, who oined Liverpool from St Mirren or 5300,000, was also wanted by Aberdeen but he plumped for the Parkhead club he supported as a soly.

The signing strengthens Celtic's withdrawal from the 2/50,000 Mick for the ferguson transfer deal as "the force of the season. Mr Milne said: "How can say they have sold Andy Gray, John Gidman, John Deehan, Tommy Craig and John Gregory."

# Hughes not complacent

ton captain, hoping to complete his set of winners medals at transfer fees After a request by Robert Wentiley on Saturday, has admit-Moreland, the member of the ted that Monday night's 3-1 win European Parllament for Stafford-shire, a Common Market investi-gation is being held into rising football transfer fees. Mr More-land suggested an inquiry should be held after Alan Durban, the at Aston Villa will not affect the outcome of the League Cup final against Nottingham Forest. "It was a tremendous performance with Wembley so close, but it will Stoke City manager, said that his first division club could not com-pete in the market for top count for nothing when Saturday comes round," Hughes said. Wolves's with was all remarkable when you consider that they were without four players who expect to face Forest.

plavers. Mr Moreland said: "I've had a reply from the European Com-mission and they are holding discussions with European foot-Gray was suspended, Hibbitt in-jured and both Richards and Eves were left out with Wembley ball associations and professional essociations. As a polision, but it is up to the football associations to make a decision ". lin mind.

"Richards suffers on two matches a week," John Barnwell, in mind.

sood to go for a series of bold strokes including six backhand

drops that were too good for Zaman. Magsood made almost as many errors as Zaman but his tally of winners was eight against four.

Zaman had won all four warm-

Laman and won all four warmup tournaments before going
to Wembley, but was now a game
down to a compatriot six years
his jumor: a richly talented
youngster who is progressing fast.
Maqsood, though, was to score
only six more points. Taman slice

only six more points. Zaman slip-

only six more points. Zaman slipped smoothly into a higher gear.

He raised the pace, pinned
Magsood back and kept the ball
so low and so close to the walls
that Magsood had hardly anything
to hit. In the second game for
example, Magsood hit only four
decisive shots: and three of those
were errors.

were errors.

The third game produced some

The third game produced some crisp, strenuous delightfully patterned squash, with both men volleying a good deal and playing an exciting variety of shots. Maqsood's reactions were often wonderfully fast. They had to be. Zaman was continually changing pace and length, using a bewildering assortment of tactical and technical skills. Maqsood could never be sure what would happen next except that it would happen quickly and would almost certainly present him with difficult and possibly insoluble problems. Zaman took 13 of the last 14 points: and the customers examined their ticket stubbs and began to do some serious thinking.

played him for half-a-game, but what would have been the point of that? Eves is another one that you have to protect."

The form of the stand-ins, Brazier, Clarke, Bell and Moss has given Barnwell something of a selection problem, but he is certain to revert to his usual line-up for the final. "The players have come the know what we expect of come to know what we expect of them. The important thing is that we had a difficult game five days before the final and the fact tha we came through it without any injuries was a bonus."

Berry, a Welsh defender, had one of his most impressive games for the club and the whole side showed 100 per cent commitment, with Hughes praising the two men up front. "They did exceptionally well," he said.

#### Greenhoff defies the medical experts :

Jimmy Greenhoff is back in the Manchester United party for to-night's match against Everton at Old Trafford. Greenhoff, a striker, received a pelvic lujury in last season's Cup Final and has not been in the first team since. At one time it seemed his

Career was over.

Greenhoff saw three specialists who all advised him to retire and the United manager, Dave Sexton, the United manager, Dave Sexton, made an announcement at a press conference some months ago that his battle to return had failed and he would not be playing again. Greenhoff, aged 33, refused to give up and he songht the opinion of an FA medical specialist who told him that he should try again. He has played in three Central League games recently and is now polsed for a first team recall.

Everton, still without the suspended Hartford and Ross, are likely to be unchanged. Wood, their goalkeeper, damaged an aukle in training yesterday and Gidman is suffering from a heavy cold so the manager, Gordon Lee, names a pool of 14 with Hodge standing by to deputize for Wood. Tottenham Hotspur's Argentine midfield player, Ricardo Villa, will be out of action for the rest of the season. made an announcement at a pres

He had an operation on dam-ged knee ligaments vesterday

the season.

He had an operation on damaged knee ligaments yesterday morning, and the Spurs manager. Keith Burkinshaw, admitted: "It is a real blow for us."

Villa, troubled for several weeks by a groin strain, limped off in Saturday's FA Cup defeat by Liverpool after hurting his knee. Tests and an x-ray examination revealed the damage, and rather than risk the injury deteriorating, Spurs booked him in for an immediate operation.

Nattrass, Middlesbrough's record buy, has cracked a bone in his leg for the second time this season and missed last night's first division match with Ipswich Nattrass, the former Newcastle United player, has played just two full games since he recovered

full games since he recovered from his last fracture just above the ankle. He is now back in plaster and will be out of action for another three to four weeks.

Today's fixtures

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South v Siembousembr.
ALLIANCE PREMIER LEAGUE: Scarborough v Altrincham; Reddiich v Gravesend.
NORTHERN PREMIER LEAGUE: Macchesfield v Buxton: Oswestry v Morecambe: Frockley v Burton Albon: Southport v Wilton Albon.
Services Championship: Army v Royal Navy Milliary Stadium. Alberting Royal Nary Milliary Stadem. Addershe and the stadem. A south
wates Police 17.0: Rugby v. Rafstadem. A south
rafted Stadem. A stadem.
Ruggey LEAGUE: First division:
Raddard Northam v. Hunsig: Warrington v. Leeds. Second division: Barrow
v. Rochdale Hornets.

Monday's results First division Third division

3.461 Fourth division ALLIANCE PREMIER LEAGUE CUP: Semi-final round: Second leg: Northwich Victoria 5 Kettering 1. 1485 3—17. League: Numeaton 5, Redditch 1: Workester 2, Yeard 0.

bout.

#### Zaman slips smoothly into Tea time in Las Vegas higher gear for victory

says the 26-year-old challenger will spar until Wednesday and continue running until Friday. On Saturday he will just limber up. Of all the five British boxers

Robin Cousins, the British figure skating champion, has left himself a mountain to climb if he is to add the world title to that of European and the Olympics. He lies fifth after today's compulsory figures, a decline of one place compared with Lake Placid. More significantly, and more seriously, the margin between him and the leader, Jan Hoffmann, of East Germany, is considerably wider that last time.

As things stand, the inter-

As things stand, the intermediate placings are held by David Santee (United States). Charles Ticker (United States) and Jean-Curistophe Simond (France). Compared with Lake Placid at the same stage Santee has overtaken his compatriot and Simond has dislodged Cousins.

lodged Cousins.

The accompanying table shows the marks accumulated so far by the leading skaters, adjusted according to the formulae established by the international Skating Union. Ignoring possible complications raised by the skaters in between, it will be seen that the lowest margin between Hoffmann and Cousins is the 0.36 of the American judge (number three).

chance against Sugar Ray Leonard.
Over in Huntingdonshire Green
is labouring as never before to
prove them all wrong. He is fit,
sharp, bright eyed and remarkably confident. Green has lost only
two of his 35 professional bouts
and it is the second of these two
defeats that has led to his current
lukewarm support. It occurred in
Denmark last June when he defended the European welterweight
title against Torgen Hansen. What title against Jorgen Hansen. What was expected to be a formality turned into a nightmare. Hansen won in three rounds. Green points out that what happened to him in Denmark could happen to Leonard.

Rugby Union

### Old Snowy could end long wait at Murrayfield Neary aims to cap own record

By Peter West
Rugby Correspondent
In a tribute to Tony Neary
after his 42nd international, Bill
Beaumont, England's rugby captain, said: "The greyer 'Nero'
gets, the better he plays. We know him now as 'Old Snowy'"
Neary sat somewhat abashed at the dinner following the game "
with Wales, as he received a standing oyation. It was a night when ing ovation. It was a night when celebrations otherwise were

with Wales, as he received a standing ovation. It was a night when celebrations otherwise were muted.

Neary will be due another ovation at Murrayfield on Saturday, when he becomes the most capped of English rugby players and when, in accordance with tradition, he leads out the side.

It is a mark of his resilience and skill that Neary should be eclipsing John Pullin's record in spite of losing his place in the team three seasons ago. For six years from 1971 when he first played for England, against Wales at Cardiff, Neary had been first choice on the open-side flank and he had played in 27 consecutive internationals before being its jured in Australia. But in 1977 and 1978, when Mike Rafter was preferred, he won only two more capt, one in Dublin (Rafter being injured), and the other in Parts, as reglacement for Peter Dixonial Ingr. Changlonship games and the arrangement continued against New Zerland last November, after which Roger Utiles was brought in for Rafter on the bindiside.

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When Neary was dropped, it was delet than although the selectors admired his outstanding hare and constitutive talents, they did not have so highly his tacking or his shifty to perform the less glandrons chorts, I do not want to denignate the robust and whole hearined Rafter, who, fitted admirably but the hierarchy's scheme of things at that time, but Neary did the Same sort of Job with mich abjound when Rafter was unable to play against Ireland. Neary's omission, greeted with ribaid disbelled in the north, did not stop the Lions choosing him to tour New Zealand the foilowing summer. He played in the fourth international, in a pack thought by the All Blacks to be

to tour New Zealand the following summer. He played in the fourth international, in a pack thought by the All Blacks to be the best they faced that series.

"Nero" has been at the top for a longer period than any other player in a leading rugby country, and has won friends and admirers on and off the field. Roger Creed, another Lancashire stalwart, capped by England in his Coventry days, says: "Tony is the epitome of what a rugby player should be. He knew he was playing well enough when England left him out but there was never the him of a moan, and what he did proves the character

A plea has been made on behalf of John Carleton, an England wing, to enable him to tour South Africa with the British Lions, if selected. Carleton, a 24-year-old teacher, has been refused leave of

absence for the tour by Wigan Borough Council, his employers. The decision is being fought by Bill Liptrot, James Parker and Joe and Frank Gaskell, the four

surviving founder members of Oriell, Carleton's club. They have apealed to the council to reverse their policy and, in a letter, state:

"It is difficult to describe the satisfaction and pleasure we enjoyed when Carleton was

enjoyed when Carleton was selected to play for his country. If he is allowed to play for the

"If you confirm your decision it will not have the slightest effect on the South African government. We ask you to reconsider

We ask you to reconsider, not only for the sake of Carleton

but so as not to deprive thousands

but so as not to deprive mousands of local people of the honour and glory his playing for Britain would bring."

Carleton plays against Scotland at Murrayfield on Saturday after which the 30 Lions will be chosen

will surpass all that



Neary : a tribute from Beaumont and an ovation

of the man. He just kept going on the pitch. He does things his and he made a few people eat way." Seabrook says, " and he's their words. I rate him the best always ready, in every sense." He enjoys his best after the with or against, and there starely game, in moderation, but does not go much for the round of not even Graham Mourie."

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If there is a suspicion that Neary was miscast as England's captain for a period in the 70s, it might be asked whether he was given the tools to do a consistently adequate isb. He now thinks: the leadership affected his own game, without having realized it at the time. But Des Seabrook, coach of Lancashire and the North, has no reservations about his tactical acumen. "Everyone listens to what he says at half-time. He never shouts. It's always quier, wise advice. And he himself never needs motivation. He's a loner. I leave it to him." Neary has his own routine on hig match days. He breakfasts (tea and toast) in bed, surfaces publicly about 11 am, goes for a walk in his own company, returns to his hotel for a ritual returns to his hotel for a ritual glass of sherry, and takes no lunch. For club games at Broughton Park, he will arrive at 2.15 for a 3 pm kick-off and busy himself polishing his two pairs of boots. He never has a warm-up

New move to free Carleton for Lions

Dear Mrs Thatcher.

An appeal to the Prime Minister to stop the Lions tour was made vesterday by Peter Hain, the Chairman of the Stop All Racist

Charman of the Stop All Kacist Tours Committee. In a letter he urges Mrs Thatcher to use the weight of her office to bring pressure on the rugby authorities as she has over the Moscow Olympics. He says that the Government is guilty of double standards. The full text of the letter is:

We are appealing to you to intervene personally and request the rugby authorities to cancel the forthcoming British Lions tour to South Africa.

the Sports Council's fact finding mission to South Africa, apartheld still dominates the sports system

and racist practices are widespread within rugby in particular. More-over, the recent controversy over

the schools rugby tournament-known as Craven week proves once again just how far South

Africa is from meeting recognized international sporting principles. The opposition to allowing Coloured schoolboys the opportunity to participate in the tourna-

always ready, in every sense."

He enjoys his beer after the game, in moderation, but does not go much for the round of rugby dinners. He does not like making specifies, even though, as a partner in a firm of solicitors in Manchester, he can make some brilliant ones. Lancashire never had a more lovel player, but he never wears the county blazer.

Only a few of his closest rugby friends were present at his readding. "When he was single." riends were present at his wedding. "When he was single ", Eric Evans declared. "you had to admire the technique. Play hard to get. Like an old cat, waiting for the unwary mouse."

The old cat, "Nero" or "old botter finan ever, at the age of 31. So how long is left at the top? "I am enjoying my rugby more than I have ever done", he says.
"There is not so much pressure after you have been dropped and then get back. It's all a bonus. You know you're due for the axe again sooner or later, and you're prepared for it." And remaining ambitions? "Winning the championship has to be number one. We've been a long time waiting."

ment—opposition which has been publicly voiced by at least one Cabinet Minister—gives the lie to the view being cultivated by apologists for South African sports apartheid that changes have been sufficient to merit normal world acceptance of her teams once

Gala-likely to win first title for 48 years

The news that Schw agreed to prolong their sign ship of the Scottish rugby national league system was go of the border and those i south renewed hope that the pany might extend their in ere. The Scottish is secure for at least another seasons and if future con are to be as bad for the nat the one now reaching its c there will not be any qui a return to the old mos championship.

The position in Scotland The position in Scotland is.
Last Saturday was the final is the original league programers, and the same state of possponements, ever, many clubs still have and to play, some two. These will be played during the next the sames take over in April and country's champions will as known until 4.50 on March. country's champions will be known until 4-30 on March the end of the match be Kelso and Gala.

Heriot's, the present changended their programme lastiday with a sound win Boroogimum. They lead the league, a point ahead of Galwith an inferior points differ Hawick, who have won the planship (old and new) more in the past 50 years than a other border sides together third, three points adrift of with a slightly inferior difference, but with potent better one than that of H The possibilities thereforese. To retain their these. To retain meir Herior's must beat Kelso nergor's must beat keep marginally safe from relegand beat Gala on the twenty-They must also hope that E drop a point or, if they witheir matches, that they do so by clear margins. The Edinburgh side would stay from.

Ultimate success for H and it would be their fif since 1930, requires han victories at home against sonians and away agalast M Gala have much the citarger. A win at Kelso with them the title for the first since 1932, by a single point points difference in their a draw will be sufficient by a draw will be sufficient, but is the club's eagerness to pensate for past fallures, the be satisfied only with a cl-

The most likely outcome Gala will be first by a por Hawick runners-up, mar alread of Heriot's on points ence. On March 22, Gala Hawick in a game to deciborder league title. They wan that one too, but ther saying in Galashiels that players have only to see a jersey coming at them to it. Glasgow are almost ce about to be left with on club in the first division. Melrose give away about 40 to Hawick Jordannill will b

### acceptance of her teams once again. We are of course aware that your Minister for Sport bas made known what appears to be the Government's opposition to the Lions Tour. But you have not yet either declared your own view, or employed the full authority of your office to bring the kind of strong pressure to bear on the rugby authorities which you have been prepared to do over the Moscow Olympics. At present the Government is guilty of double standards in taking a vigorous position over Shoulder iniu keeps out McKibbin

By Gordon Allan Akastair McKibbin, the international centre, has a si ment is guilty of double standards in taking a vigorous position over this athletes going to Moscow but not being prepared to actively oppose the international crime of apartheid in soort.

We would therefore request that you make urgent and strong representations to the British rugby rescharing to the true the Lioux tour minimy and carnot play Mary's in the Hospital's Cu against Westminster at Ric today. Dixon takes his place Lewis is back from Rhode portedly bronzed and fit, an at scrum half. Wakefield, Mary's captain, whose brok has mended, comes in at

resentations to the British tagory authorities to stop the Lions tour which, if it proceeds, will only solidity still further the atructure of racism in Sooth African sport, Yours sincerely, Peter Hain." Nelson who replaced I during the semi-final match: St Bartholomews, plays at I the Westminster side. Hans not recovered from a neck St Mary's have won the come of the past two years. In 197 heat the London side 30—12 year in a reprize they beat minster 49—0, a record There is unlikely to be so in it today. The back disook well matched. What it would do yet to the so the sould be so to the sould be sou out reaching the high standards wards do, or fail to do therefore be decisive. they set earlier in the 70s, have a young, determined team, who after an early defeat by Bristol, de-feated Plymouth, Kingston, and South Bank before winning 19—12 against Liverpool in the semi-

forward.

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R. McNabb. J. Barrett.

Ouins at Twickenha Harlequins' John Player semi-final tie with Leiceste holders, on March 29 will Twickenham, 3 pm kick-of

Badminton

### senior game for Richmond

Colin Lambert, the Middlesex wing who walked out on Harlequins last week after being omittee from their cup side, makes his first senior appearance for Richmond on Saturday. Lambert, a 26-year-old teacher, who played for Richmond second XV last Saturday, faces Moseley at the Athletic ground.

Richmond, who lost the corresonding fixture last year, 27—3, will be without Roger Shackleton who broke a bone in his right hand against Bedford. His place goes to the 1978 Oxford University captain, Tony, Watkinson, Steve Hughes, who played for the Navy last week, returns at number eight in place

### Lambert has first Bristol organization should reap dividends again

By Richard Streeton

A well organized Bristol team
are expected to have too much
experience for Wales for the
second year in succession when
they meet today in the final of the
British Polytechnics' rugby cup at
the Rosslyn Park ground, Roehampton (3.0). Bristol won 24—
12 when the same sides met in last
year's final and they have already
beaten the Welsh 9—6 this year in
the preliminary stages By Richard Streeton

year's final and they have already beaten the Welsh 9—6 this year in the preliminary stages
Seven of the Bristol team have played this year for the representative British Polytechnics Sports
Association XV. Among them were the wing, Lane and the Hank forward Polledri, better known for their efforts for Bristol RFC, and Nick Williams, a lock forward, who has played for English Students. Bristol's earlier record in the Polytechnics Cup this year included successive wins by 20—3, 31—0 and 37—0, against Plymouth, Porramouth and Oxford, respectively. Then they had a fright against Leeds in the semi-final round. The score was 9—9 after full time and Bristol went through after a toss of a coin.

GRISTOL POLYTECHNIC: F Sago (Middlesex Clubs): J. Lane (Bristol and Somerase), G. Dive (Clifton) P. Sheriker. P. Walford: A. McCutchoon Illandello, J. Williams: Bridened: Benner Illandello, J. Williams: Bridened: Gloroster A. Grandello, J. Williams: Grandello, J. Williams: Grandello, J. Williams: Gloroster A. Williams: POLYTECHNIC OF WALES: C. Williams (Llandovery: N. Crossland (Maidanhead), L. Jones (Perobrokeshire), I. Goalin (Ebbw Vale), Rees (Cerhiluhn): B. Griffiths (Kidwelly), J. Merrs: A. Breeze, J. Morgan, P. Morgan, Carming, C. Johns (Marvelly), P. Esser (Cardight, I. M. David's), C. Gaerre (Cardight, I. M. David's), Referre: B. Referre: B. Lincs and Derbys).

Before the main match, the second XV final between Leeds Polytechnic and the Polytechnic of Wales takes place, at one

#### Rugby League Hull will take trip across Pennines in their stride

By Keith Macklin By Keith Macklin

Despite initial grumblings Hull have accepted the fact that they have to travel to Swinton for the second semi-final round manh of the State Express Challenge Cup on Saturday. March 29. (Kick-off 3.15 to avoid clashing with the Grand National on television). When it was decreed yesterday that the Hull v Widnes game should be given a venue west of the Peonines, with the other semi-final at Headingley, Leeds, the first reaction of Hull officials was to protest mildly that their supporters were being asked to travel an awful long way, whereas for Widnes it was "just up the road".

Hull would have preferred to

Hull would have preferred to Hull would have preferred to split the geographical difference at Headingley, which will stage the Hailfax v Hull Kingston Rovers game on March 22, or at Odsal, the Bradford Northern ground. However, as a league official explained vesterday, "it is an accepted principle that when more than one county or area is represented in the semi-finals, each county should he awarded a venue. Since Headingley is in Yorkshire. Since Headingley is in Yorkshire,

the only logical choice was ton for the other side of Pennines, especially since modern motorway networks modern motorway it a comfortable from Hull ".

Swallowing disappoint bravely, a Hull official said suppose this is nothing for us, and we will take it in stride, as we did in travellit Bradford last Sunday. It do really matter where we play-adays; every game seems li home game to our lads becau our supporters. I have just phoned a local bus company they are already nearly up for Swinton."

Widner can certainly have complaints about the will which is a simple journey of 20 miles. Similarly Headingley comfortable and acceptable (10 both Halifax and Hull KR. Redfera called up: Alan lern, the Bradford North scrum-half, has been called the England team to meet Fr in the European champion decided the European champion and Sur

# The all-Pakistam match was par-ticularly disappointing because it had such a promising start. Zaman went to 4—1 but did not score another point in the first game. He was hitting down a lot and, just as important, was playing For the record

# Tennis

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FULFORB HEATH Schools cham-pionships, Qualifying round: 1, 55 and Bromagrave HB 211, 2, 11 and 1, 55 and Form College 246 N, Warwick School, Individual P, Butcher Warwick School, 75,

Cricket

The British middleweight, Alan Minter, sparred six rounds yester-lay and said afterwards that be was bappy with his training for his world title bout against the Italian-burn American Vito Assurptement (1) and the last 17 days of March. Dave Green is the one the critics accord the least chance of winning. Green, they say, has no chance against Sugar Ray Leonard. Over in Huntingdonking Green. Minter, sparred six rounds yester-day and said afterwards that he was happy with his training for his world title bout against the Italian-born American, Vito Antuofermo. in Las Vegas, on Sunday. "I feel good and was pleased with the way I worked today", Minter said after the sparring at Caesar's Palace, the site of the 15-round

bout.

Minter looked sharp, moving well and throwing quick, accurate combinations that snapped back the heads of his sparring partners on several occasions. Minter did not spar on Sanarday or Sunday. "I can get fed up training every day", he said. "I need a break. It's good for me mentally. I've trained like this before every big bout. I'm surprised at American boxers who train every day." Another custom strange to American boxers is Minter's post-work-out refreshment—tea.

Doug Bidwell, Minter's manager.

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From John Hennessy Dortmund, March 11

Leonard.

Green's manager, Andy Smith says "Dave is strong and brave and a good body puncher. He is unorthodox and that may be the key to putting Leonard out of his rhythm. We plan to be there in the second half and see what he's made of."

PARTS: Welterweight 110 rounds1: Ronald Zeonan (France: beat Joey Mack (GB) points. Lightweight (B rounds1: Bingo Crooks (GB) Beat Maurice Fice (France: points.)

The cause is not yet totally lost. A brilliant short programme to-morrow, combined with a fall

morrow, combined with a fall from grace by Hoffmann, could substantially change the picture. So could a Cousins at his resplendent best in the free on Thursday night. But Hoffmann is Mr Dependable in anyone's language and Cousins has not this season been able to scale the heights he can.

gone wrong. "Everything" he replied, with his usual embusiasm for exaggeration. Cousins's figure

of Rick Naish. Moselely have Mike Perry back at stand-off half. Perry, who missed the game at Ebbw Vale through injury, returns in place of Archer.

Geoffrey Yates, the British judge, was almost Cousins's harshest critic, his 3.4, 3.8, 3.8 being

ing their opinions to remain unclouded by excessive chauvinism.

MEN'S COMPETITION (stee the compulsory figures): 1. J. Hoffmann (EG), 4. R4 pts. and 10 blacements; 2. D Santer (US), 43 h0 and 18; 3. C. Dictor (US), 43 h0 and 25; 4. J.-C. Simond (France), 41.-5 and 37; 3, R. Cousins (GB), 40.80 and

# Tennis Cousins struggles behind Mr Dependable Mottram moves When you recall that at this corresponding stage at Lake Placid, four judges put 0.26 or less daylight between them it will be seen how much more demanding is the task confronting the British champion. Bearing in mind the microscopic margin that finally separated the two skaters last month, it will be readily understood why British followers are in a subdued mood. The cause is not yet totally lost. A brilliant short programme to-

of a coin.

up with little effort

Christopher (Buster) Mottram easily won his first round march in the World Championship Tennis tournament at Rotterdam yesterday. He defeated Eric Wilborts, of The Netherlands, 6—3, 6—0. Two other British players, Rohun Beven and Tony Graham, were beaten in the first round of the West German Indoor championships in Boblingen. Beven went down 6—3, 7—6 to the Australian Kim Warwick and Graham was beaten 3—6, 7—5, 6—4 by Jan Norback, of Sweden.

Johan Kriek, of South Africa beat the fifth seed, Tim Gullikson of the United States 6—3, 6—4 in the first round at Rotterdam Ilie Nastase of Romania, arrived late but quickly defeated the American Bill Scanlon, 7—6, 6—1.

The unseeded Yngoglav Mima Jausovek, achieved a 6—Z. 6—1 victory over the eighth-seeded Greer Stevens of South Africa in the first round of the women's

est crètic, his 3.4, 3.8, 3.8 being surpassed in severity only by the Swedish judge, whose total for the three was 10.9. To Yanes, as judge number one, fell the doubtful privilege of giving the first and lowest mark of the day among the leading skaters, for Cousins's rockers. There are those who criticize British judges for their often eccentric willingness to fiammer their own. Rather, I think, they should be congramlated for allowing their opinions to remain unthe first round of the women's tournament at Boston, Massa-chusetts. Miss Stevens, aged 23, dropped eight of the last nine names to the 24-year-old Yugo-slav, and complained of being ill after the match.

# Sea Pigeon pops up as if by magic

Once again the confuror of Malton, Feter Easterby has waved his magic wand. Just as Night Nurse confounded the experts when wanting his second Champion Hurdle at 152 in 1977, so did Sea Pigeon surprise as yesterday afternoon when sweeping home seven lengths clear of the dual champion, Monksfield. This was the flyear-old's fourth attempis at hurdling's most coveted prize. Monksfield and Palufe dispured

Monksfield and Palme disputed the early lead, tracked by Pollardatown and Birds Nest Racing down the hill away from the stands Sea Pigeon dropped back to last. "He just blew up." John O'Neill said, "and then at the top of the final hill, he picked up his bit and decided to race again. Sea Pigeon's an amazing old character."

At the second last, Monksfield was leading from Pollardstown and Burds Nest. But by then the writing was on the wall. Sprinting past the two in front of him as though they were rooted to the spot, Sea Pigeon joined Monkstield at the last and won easily. Although Dessie Hughes eased Monksfield in te closing stages, ne was only one and a half lengths in-front of Birds eNst, with Royal Boxer a further two lengths away, fourths.

And herein lies the truth of what happened in 1979 Monksfield finished 23 lengths in front of Birds Nest oBth Easterby and Monksfield's trainer. Des McDonagh, claimed that the shortening of the course by 60 vards and the omission of a hurdle made all the difference.

made all the difference.

This is hard to believe, however. Sea Pigeon and Monksfield have met aix times and yesterday's race was the first in which the gelding has finished in front. The plain fact is that, contrary to what was expected. Monksfield had not made the anticipated improvement since finishing runnering in the Erin Foods Hurdle. Sea Pigeon, on the other hand, was produced somewhere near his bestafter a light preparation by the Yorkshire genius, Easterby.

It has always been on the cards

It has always been on the cards that one day sea Pigeon's turn of look was going to enable him to untilitate a Champion Hurdle field. And yesterday, the speed that has won Sea Pigeon two Chester Cups and an Ebor Handicap was the vital weapon which was used to such telling effect by the Champion jockey.

What more is there to say about

by the Champion Jockey.

What more is there to say about Easterby, the man who continues to break all records for prize noney won under National Hunt Rules. After getting gravel in his loot, Een Pigeon was thought to have to chance of running at Chelenham. It was only a fortnight 150 that a glimmer of hope appeared on the horizon. And a week last Tuesday Sea Pigeon worked in encouraging style on Neasel.

A final spin on Easterby's own work grounds last Friday convinced he great trainer that Sea Pigeon and an each way chance. "Of ourse I was apprehensive and Sea ligeon will be a great deal bettur or this race?" Let the old warriou's proed owner. Par Muldoon laye the last word; "Where on arth am I ever going to find mother horse like this one?" lreland 3. England 3 was the core at the end of the first ound of the Festival. As expec-ed, the opening Waterford

Stockton programme

. (N. 2.0 MAD HATTERS HURDLE (Selling: £409: 2m 176yd)

30 ROPNER CHASE (Novices : £873 : 21m)

O STEWART BURDLE (Handicap : £611 : 3m)

30 ALBERT CHASE (Handicap : £1014 : 3m 31yd)

30 CITTLEBOY HURDLE (Novices : £685 : 2m 176vd)

Stockton selections

O AYRESOME CHASE (Hunters : £473 : 21m 66yd)

00-1003 Breokrayd, D. Doyle, 6-11-3 Op Cancrayan, W. A. Stephenson, 6-11-3

| S-15 WAREL BURNILE (HEIGIGED : 1011 : 5m) | S-81000 | Philip: Greed I. Vickers 8-12-0 | S-12-0 | S-1



Everything comes to him who waits: Sea Pigeon's head is just visible behind Monksfield as he prepares to pounce at the last hurdle. Birds Nest (left) finished third.

Crystal Supreme Novices Hurdle resulted in a benefit for the visi-tors. In one of the most exciting finishes ever seen at Prestbury Park, Tommy Carmody and Slaney Idol just held the determined chal-lenge of Ted Walsh and Daring Run at bay to win by a neck.
Walsh was afterwards cautioned for excessive use of the whip.

The winner is trained by Liam Browne, and had a successful career on the flat during which he was only narrowly beaten by Ex-Directory at Leopardstown. "He has taken time to learn about jumping hurdles.", Browne said. "I might give Slaney Idol one more race this season. But he'll be back for the championship next year."

The Arkle Challenge Trophy saw a resonating triumph for Analog's Daughter who, after a brilliant display of fencing, came home 20-lengths clear of her compatriot. Corrib Chieftain. The favourite, Beacon: Light, jumped far too ling and low at his fences, and was a remote third when he finally crumpled at the second last. Analog's Daughter is trained by Bill Darican on the hills above Leopardstown racecourse. "She is used to plenty of upfull work and

was ideally suited by the track," said Durcan, who apart from training is six horses, is also one of six brothers who are partners in a building business. "The mare might come back for the Gold Cup in 1981".

The fial Irish victory was that of Mount Rivers, who won the Waterford Crystals Stayers Hurdle by five lengths for the Tiperary trainer, Edward O'Grady. Here again the stewards were in action the winning jockey Tom Ryan being fined £50 for excessive use of the whip. But the result might have been different if the favourite Silver Shadow had not broken down when moving easily on the heeds of the leaders two hurdles beels of the leaders two hurdles

There was a revictal of English fortunes in the last two races when Jim Wilson and Good Prospect ran out decisive winner of the Kim Muir Challenge Cup-after which Niell Madded, who finished third on Kilhilwell, was also fined for excessive use of the whip—and when Fred Wimer had his first sucess of the meeting as Stoped romped home by 10-lengths under 12 st 51b in the Cheltenham Grand Annual Chal-lenge Cup. This race was watched

Cheltenham programme

[Television (BBC 2): 2.15, 2.50, 3.30 and 4.5 races]

2.15 SUN ALLIANCE HURDLE (Novices: £13,167: 21m)

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Marks Birthday (Mrs. M. Groose), St. 6-11-8

Master Socks (D. Daviles), O. D'Neill, 6-11-8

Rising Faicon (D) (Lidy M. Filtzlan-Howard), Lady

8-11-9

Sea Ottor (Mrs. J. Dening), R. Dening, 0-11-8

Shane Hill (Mrs. S. Embricos), J. Difford, 7-11-8

Shaneen (D) (Mrs. J. Irvine), D. McNeilly (Irs., 6
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Buchanan (M. Chapman), Chapman, 5-11-7....... Cettle Rambler (D) (J. Christ, F. Rimell, 5-11-7... Cloumamon (Mrs G. Lohan), P. Prendergast jun (fre).

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7-2 Drumbargan, 5-1 Woodford Prince, Shooneen, 6-1 Fine Fiper, 8-1 Birhdee. Cayside, 10-1 Saint Tally, Heighlin, 12-1 Ancient Briton, 14-1 benygon, Rising Falcon, 16-1 Swashbotching, 25-1 others.

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204 223113 Dramatist (C.D) (L. Thresites), F. Waltyrn, 9-12-0. W. Smith
205 u10-040 Hilly Way (CD) (D. Barretti, P. McCroory (Ire), 10-12-0
W. T. Walsh

FORM: Chinrellah (12st 01b), 8th to Twindurn (71-4), Loopardstown, Feb 25 2m, rieiding, 15 ran Dramsdel Edge (12-9), Sandown, Feb 3, 5m (12-7), best 44, 3, by Daietz (12-7), 18td, soft, 7 ran, Willy Way, and Narribinni (11-7), Haydock, Feb (11-8), soft, 7 ran, Willy Way, with Asother Dolly (11-9), 5th, Riether (12-4), 7th, Deaten 331, to Secret 11-3 behund, Newbury, Feb 29, 2m Progress (11-2), Neas, March 2, 3m 1607d, good, 5 ran,

3.30 CORAL GOLDEN HURDLE FINAL (Handicap: £7,547: 3m

2.50 OUEEN MOTHER CHAMPION CHASE (£17,366 : 2m)

208 110-124 King Weasel (D) (Mrs D. Grant), M. H. Easterby, 8-12-209 211000 Lord Graystoke (CD), (E. Etheriagian hm., G. Richards, 9-12-0 B. Barry 211 . u2-1022 Young Arthur (CD) (Sirs D. Kent), D. Keni, 11-12-0 P. Haynes

with iterest by a cock pheasant, who only flew away as the winner crossed the line.

Better Blessed beaten Better Blessed started slight odds on for the Prix de la Tarentaise at Cagnes-sur-Mer yesterday, but could finish only third behind Perettor and Mandrake. Better Blessed was the last runner of the meeting for his trainer, William Hastings-Bass, whose feam of three return home with total earnings of £16,211. ings of £16,211.

Gold Cup ride

Christopher Grant, the north's most improved claiming rider, has been booked by Mick Naughton to partner The Viuner in the Crekenham Gold Cup mmorrow: It will be 23-year-old Grant's first factival rider and his mouth in Festival ride, and his mount is currently quoted at 100-1 by Hills.

OFFICIAL SCRATCHINGS:
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on am, March 10th Kennedy.
Hurdle, Liverpool: Electric
Crouton. All engagements.
Rochampton: Valuer. Sirdlesm. STATE OF GOING tofficial. Chel-tenham, soft: Slockton, heavy image-tion, 7.30 am. Tomorrow: Hezham, anti

# Chinrullah may dash Cheltenham's sentimental hopes

Hurdle.

on the way that he won his last race at Leopardstown Drumlargan will certainly be a hard not to crack in the Sun Alliance Novices

Bowever, Flame Gun might just find one too good for him in the Sun Alliance Steeplechase in the handsome form of Little Owl, who

However, Little Owl has done absolutely nothing wrong since he began steeplechasing this season.

Racing Correspondent

The Queen Elizabeth the Queen The Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother, Champion Steeplechase is the most valuable race at Cheltenham today on this the second day of the National Hunt Festival. From a sentimental point of view it would be fitting if the first running of Her Majesty's race was won by a horse trained by her own trainer, Fulke. Walwyn. His hopes rest with. Dramatist who was runner-up in the same race 12 months ago when it was simply known as the Two Mile Champion Steeplechase.

Well as Dramatist should as

Steepiechase.

Well as Dramanst should so again, there is ground for thinking that this year's race may be won by a horse trained in Ireland, as it has been for the last five years. Hilly Way, the horse who has won it for the past two seasons, is back, in the fray once more. Doubtless he will run well once again, in spite of that lacklustre display at Nazs earlier this month, but on this occasion I prefer Chinrullah.

To fancy Chinrullah's chance of

absolutely nothing wrong since he began steeplechasting this season. In fact he boasts a better record than Flame Gun over fences and he is preferred. Apparently Little Owl simply loves jumping and that is the sort to back at Cheltenham. At Ayr in January Little Owl gave 10lb and a narrow beating to Romany Count, who is also in the field this afternoon. In the meantime Romany Count has tinished second to Daletta in Ireland and that is good form.

Willie Wumpkins and his amateur rider, Jim Wilson, will be trying to win the Coral Golden Hurdle Final for the second year in succession. Twelve months ago they were too good for Little Owl at the weights. This time, though, they may have to give best to Cover Your Money. Being by the Ascot Gold Cup winner Frecipice Wood, Cover Your Money will relish both the distance and the going underfoot. Hers is an extremely open race for which king Reptune, Grand Hussar and Another Duke also have good cnances.

Whatever his luck on Willie Chinculish.
To fancy Chinculish's chance of winning h' is necessary to turn a blind eye to the fact that he has been hurdling all season and that he has not jumped a fence in public since last spring. However, irish hotses tend to be much more adaptable, than durs and this somewhat morrhodor appenach should what morthodox approach should not affect his chance.

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Anyone who was present at Cheltenham on the second day last year should not need reminding about Chinrullan's prowess as a steeplechaser. On that occasion he beat another irish horse, Daletta, by five lengths in the Arkie Challenge. Trophy. Recently Daletta completely outchased Dramatist in the closing stages of the Embassy Premier Steeplechase final at Haydock Park and on a line through Dramatist Chinrullah would appear to have an excellent chance of beating Hilly Way now.

Young Arthur was no match for Hilly Way or Dramatist a year ago, and a much more serious threat to one and all would surely be King Weasel if only be can be coased into putting his best foot forward once again. At one stage King Weasel had won it steeple-chases in a row, but he has run disappointingly in his last two races. Apparently corns were to blame. Ghimullah has had no such problems to contend with and he looks the better bet this time.

The Sina Alliance and London Insurance Croup have sponsored the two main supporting races this afternoon. Edward O'Gradv, who trains with such conspicuous success near Thurles in co Tipperary, is more than just hopeful

success near Thurles in co Tip-perary, is more than just hopeful of winning both-races with Drum-largan and Flame Gun. And judged

Best among the eight Miloslav Rolko, Europe's top 100 metres backstroke swimmer in 1977, heads a strong Czecho slovak team in the Coca-Cola interlreland unchanged

Ireland's team for the women's. hockey international against England in Dublin on March 29 will be the one that drew 1-1 with Wales last Saturday and C-6 with Scotland the previous week. April 11 to 13. The other seven members of the team are: Daniel Machek, Irenz Fleissnerova, Petr Adamec, Radek Haval, Petr Koliros, Milos Lukasek, Vera Cankova.

Ice hockey NATIONAL LEAGUE: Montreal Can-adieus 6, Los Angeles Kings 5: Vançouver Canucks 5, Atlanta Flames

4.5 SUN ALLIANCE CHASE (£14,623: 3m)
402 622101 Brave Air (B) (I. Lyons), P. McCreery (tre), 7-11-1 Mark 405
401 Brown Lorf (b) (W. Ransom), Mrs. R. Lomas, 7-11-1 B. Smart 405
16-1714 Corrib Chieffain (J. O'Mailey), P. Prendergast jun (fre), 6-11-4
Carberry 2011-1, 2011 

413 271-711 Leving Words (A. Nettiov), J. Thome. 7-11-4 ..... S. May
415 0-23143 Loving Words (A. Nettiov), J. Thome. 7-11-4 ..... S. May
416 00-1802 Marinstown (O) (Nrs M. Easton), Mrs Easton, 8-11-1
Mr M. Balters \*Abfaio Mealike (D) (D. Cahar). P. Russell (ire). 7-11-1 Mr. M. Baller \*430333 Mister Bodus (P. Barber). J. Thorne, 7-11-1 ...... R. Hoan 24-7121 PHar Bras (Mrs. B. Kearney). D. Wold (fre., 7-11-1 ..... N. Given 8-0-122 Romany Count. (P. McCaughey). A. Moore (fre., 8-11-1)

4.40 NATIONAL HUNT CHASE (Amateurs: 55,150: 4m) rignway Fate (Mrs J. McGowan). M. O'Toole (fre), 7-13-7

Immigrate (J. White). C. Kimane (fre), 7-13-7

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C. Sample Duat Power (J. Jennings). Jennings (fre), 10-12-4

L. Hugher Leecervalle (N. Mitchell). Mitchell. 9-13-4

N. Mitchell Pill Bux (G.) (Mrs M. Easton). Mrs Easton, 9-12-1

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September Walk (G. Mason). Miss C. Mason. 11-12-4

A. Fowler Assard Charmar (W. Stephenson). Stephenson. 7-12-0

Celite 4kt (M. Gifford). Gifford. 10-12-0

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203-042 Saper Gissapia (Mrs M. Jarvis). A. Jarvis, 8-12-0 -0000 Wasters River (Mrs J. Chedon). G. Buiting, 7-12-0 4-2004 Weymouth Read (Mrs J. Cledon). 10 7-2 Dual Power, 4-1 China Cottage, 5-1 Cashea, 6-1 immigrate, 8-1 Road, Medoc, 10-1- Highway Pati, 12-1 Waggoners Walk, 16-1 others

5.15 MILDMAY OF FLETE CHASE (Handicap: £6,475: 2½m)
603 121042 Roadbeed (D) (J. Wilson), J. Gifford, 7-11-12... H. Davies
603 121042 Roadbeed (D) (W. Durkan), Durkan (Ire), B-11-5
608 101142 Grown Matrimonial () (F. Drury), T. Forster, B-11-5
609 221411 Nistrody (D) (Shelth All Abu Rhamsin), F. Winter, 9-11-3
610 141323 Flashy Soy (D) (Mrs A. Bayley), Denys Smith, 12-11-2
611 13-8041 Kilkiwell (B) (P. Hamilford), M. O'Toole (Ire), B-11-2
612 Hughes 13-p041 Kilkineti (D) (P. Hamifordi, M. O'Toole (fre), 8-11-2 D. Hughes 31403 Gamby VI (D) (Mrs E. White Spinner), J. Thorne, 11-10-15 Mr C. Ferwick 1-12032 Locking (D) (Ld Astor), T. Forsier, 9-10-13 615 1:12322 | Columb VI (D) (Mrs E. White Spinner), J. Thomse, 11:10-13 | Columb VI (D) (Mrs E. White Spinner), J. Thomse, 11:10-13 | Columb VI (D) (Mrs E. White Spinner), J. Thomse, 11:10-13 | Columb VI (D) (Mrs E. White Spinner), J. O. C. Fenelck (D) (200 22:20) | Columb VI (D) (Mrs E. Whiter), Mrs C. Fenelck (D) (21 21:241) | Columb Value (CD) (Mrs Strange), J. O. C. T. Kinner (CD) (21:241) | Columb Value (CD) (Mrs C. Whiter), J. O. C. P. Haynes (CD) (Columb Value (CD) (Mrs C. Whiter), J. C. Mrs C. Lynch (CD) (Mrs C. Whiter), J. C. Mrs C. Lynch (CD) (Mrs C. Whiter), J. C. Mrs C. Lynch (CD) (Mrs C. Whiter), J. C. Mrs C. Lynch (CD) (Mrs C. Whiter), J. C. Mrs C. Lynch (CD) (Mrs C. Whiter), J. C. Mrs C. Lynch (CD) (Mrs C. Whiter), J. C. Mrs C. Lynch (CD) (Mrs C. Whiter), J. C. Mrs C. Lynch (Mrs C. Lynch (Mrs C. Whiter), J. C. Mrs C. Lynch (Mrs C

Cheltenham selections

By Our Racing Correspondent
2.15 DRUMLARGAN is specially recommended. 2.50 Chinrullah, 3.30
Cover Your Money. 4.5 Little Owl. 4.40 China Cottage. 5.15
Nimrody.

4,5 (4,11) WATERFORD CRYSTAL STAYERS HURDLE (\$11,250; 5m 1f) MOUNTRIVERS, hr g, b, Linagre—
Lively Bird (B, Bhser), 6-11-12
T, J. Ryan (7-1)
Sitent Momber, ch g, by Whistling
Top—Lady Angus (Mrs. P. Finnegain), 3-11-10 T. Carborry (15-2)
Berring Rose, b g, by Derring Do—
Bandl Rose (P. Savill's, 5-11-10)
A. Turnell (10-1) 3 AISO RAN: 4-1 fav Silver Shadow (p), 11-2 John Cherry, 941 Owen Glin, Ross du Vin, 14-1 Beclive Road, 20-1 ryospiler, 16-1 Fro. blander, Laurence Rambler, 14th, Tr. blander, Laurence Rambler, 14th, Tr. blander, 16-1 dies Quay, 55-1 Kalso Chen, 19, 16-1 Pan.

4.30 (1.45) KIM MUIR MEMORIAL CHASE (Handlesp: £5.053; 5m)
GOOD PROSPECT, b g, by Orchardist—Cagires Pinnage (Mis J. Edwards), 1:1-10-12
Midday Welcome, br g, by Croslee—Bore Da (J. Frost), 9-9-12
Kitaiwell, br m, by Harwell—Billicity P, Hamiltond, 8-11-0
Kilkye P, Hamiltond, 8-11-0
Me'n, Madden (100-30 fav) 2

Tan. Totte: Win, 50p) places. 10p, 85p, 16p. Dual Forecast: £1,42. CSF, 67,55, J. A. C. Edwards at Ross-un-Wye. 51, 





On top of the world: Andreas and Hanni Wenzel.

# handsome form of Little Owl, who is regarded as Peter Easterby's banker of the meeting. There is no denying that Flame Gun has a great chance. Two years ago he finished second in the Sun Alliance Novices Hurdle one day and won the Waterford Crystal Stayers Hurdle the next. Only a supremely tough horse could have done that. However, Little Owl has done Wenzel cup of joy is filled a second time

Andreas Wenzel, of Liechtenstein, made sure of a norable double for his family in Cordina double for his family in Cortina D'Ampezzo, Italy, yesterday, when he added the mea's World Cup to the women's title aircady won by his sister, Handi, Ingener Stenmark, of Sweden, finished list in yesterday's giant Stalom but Wenzel, who needed to come only seventh, took fourth place only seventh, took fourth place to put him four points ahead of Stenmark in the overall placings.

Wenzel, nervous because of the need for cup points, did not ski well in the first run, clocking only the sixth fastest time in 1 min 35.55 sec. He did better in the second, however, recording the fourth best time in 1 min 34.49 fourth place.

second, nowever, recording the fourth best time in 1 min 34.49 sec, which gave him fourth place and the cup.

Stenmark, who was scoring his ninth success in World Cup events this season, was fastest in both heats for a wigning total of 3 nin 5.64 sec. He covered the first run on the 1,150-metre course In 1 min 32.40 sec. Hans Enn, of Austria, bad a total time of 3 min 8.25 sec for second place, with the rising Swiss, Joel Gaspoz, third in 3 min 8.82 sec for his best placing yet. Another Swiss, the defending World Cup champion, Peter Lücher, shared fourth place with Wenzel after clocking the second fastest time in the first heat.

Stenmark said he was satisfied

Another Duke also have good chances.

Whatever his luck on Willie Wumpkins the experienced Mr Wilson has a great chance of winning the National Hum Steeplethase for amateur riders on China Cottage. Together they have already won over three miles at Leicester this season, beating Bramble Joy, who has won his last two races easily. That Is sound form.

Finally, no one should be surprised if the champion jockey, John Francome, wins the Mildmay of Flete Challenge Cup on Nimrody, whose recent form has been a revelation, thanks largely to a rourse of dressage given by his trainer Fred Winter's daughter, Denise, Earlier in the season Nimrody was stiff and jarred in his shoulders. Miss Winter, who is a fine horsewoman, has succeeded in loosening him up and his form has improved immeasurably as a result. In the circumstances he may still be a step or two in front of the handicapper. Stenmark said he was satisfied the start of the season that he was unlikely to win his fourth title because the rules penalize skiers competing only in sialoms. "Wencompeting only in slatoms. "Wen-zel is a top-class skier and his victory was fair. I think, however,

I deserved it on the basis of overall results". Stehmark said.

A happy and relieved Wenzel
said: "It was today or never,
because I don't think I could have
gone on one day more with all the
pressure of these last few weeks."

In Saalbach. Austria, Claudia
Giordani, of Italy, won her first
women's World Cup event since
1977 when she came first in this
season's final special slatom, with
Miss Wenzel, the double Olympic
champion and World Cup winner,
in third place.

Miss Giordani's win was slightly

in third place.

Miss Giordani's win was slightly fornunate in that Perrine Pelen, of France, who had clocked the fastest first leg of 43.48sec—0.80sec clear of Miss Giordani—fell during the second run. Miss Wenzel was a disappointing seventh equal in the first leg with 45.17sec, but she came back with the fastest time on the second leg of 45.39sec, to finish third overall. "I think I was half asleep in the first leg and only woke up in the second one", said Miss Wenzel, who admitted to a lack of motivation because her title was secure. was secure.

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#### Australia use 11 bowlers in hard day's toil

Faisalbad, March 11.— The second Test match between Pakistan and Australia ended in a draw today, with the Pakistanis, in turn, scoring runs almost at will on a docile wicket. Australia, who last the first Test, must win the third and final match to square the discount of the second consecutive Test failed to take a wicket. He made friends, however, on the boundary, donning a policeman's the first Test, must win the third and final match to square the discount of the second consecutive Test failed to take a wicket. He made friends, however, on the soundary, donning a policeman's first and signing autographs.

Australia: First innings, 517 (6. S. Chappell 225. G. N. Valida 172).

No hower managed to take a wicket today but Zaheer Abbas wicket today but Zaheer Abbas a run out for 19 after helping laver managed to take a tashm Arif. not out 19 after helping laver managed to take a tashm Arif. 214 
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Javed Miandod, the captain, then joined Tastim and by the close they had put on 223 runs and taken the total to 382. Austraand taken the total to 553, Austratia underlined the farcical pature
of the play by using all 11 players
as bowlers.
Greg Chappell, the taptain, took
over behind the wicket when
Marsh bowled, Marsh's 10 overs

cost 51 mins. When Taslin reached his 150 in 309 minutes, spectators ran on and tried to garland him but the police wielding batons, drove them off keeper Alan Knott has sign

the pitch.

Taslim reached his 200 and and will play full time again for Miandad his century in the closing the county this season.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-187,

The former England wicket-keeper Alan Knott has signed a

Rowing

#### Still time for Oxford to find the winning blend

By Jim Railton

With less than four weeks to the Boat Race (April 5) and in the first outing since their defeat in last Saturday's Reading Head, Oxford University made three changes in their crew order yesterday. George Harris, the former Christ Church boarman, has now stepped in at the right noment. Harris is a technician. Yesterday Oxford the bow seat to the engine room at seven; a freshman, Andrews, has been moved back from seven to the three-seat and a last minute freshman choice, Francis now sits in the bows of the boat.

Whether the policy is to give Andrews a rest is a matter of conjecture. The seven seat in this year's Oxford crew has always been to me the key position.

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So Oxford will need reappralsing if they keep to this new order. Yesterday was certainly not the day to make any assessments. After a hard, gruelling formight and hopefully the peak of their workload which included the Reading Head on Saturday, and a work-out on Sunday against the

#### Latest European snow reports

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15p. Dual F; £4.66; CSF: £3.88;

Doyle at Wetherty. 61, 71, Winner ild to S. Heller for 1,550 gns.

50 (2.53) NORTON HURBLE Bandicap: R600; 2m afj (Handicip: Es00: 2m afj OGROUND, br. g. by Mistl N-Sentz Linds, (Aug. S. Ansan). 9-10-8. D. Wilkinson (10-1). 4 orders Separt. C. Theirer (8-1). 2 sussec. (Fr. J. Toland. (2-1). 3 ALSO RAN: 5-5 fav Donilli. 6-1 ag Man. 12-1. Minimist (p). Always Iglant. 16-1. Thish Prince, George Friend. (Add.). 9 fab. NR: St. Tello, riddy Friendly.

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H (ath. 53-1 Melmerby. 7 ran. NR: Good Job.
TOTE: Win. 25p; Parces. 67p, 12o; dual forecast. £1.82. CSF. £3.47 W. A. Stephenson, at Rishop Auckland. £1.10. (1.22) CASTLE BORN CHASE NOVICES: £712: 2m. 4t) Golden ISST, ch. 8, by Golden Love-Magasteral (W. A. Stephenson) 6-11:1

Swift Athany J. Isherwood (5-1) 2 Nossy Mad. A. Googan (12-2) 3 Massy Mad. A. Googan (12-2) 3 ALSO RAN: 8-1 Equity, 10-1 Dast Remains, 13-1 Melody Biver (p), 14-1 Meny Kerry (4th. 16-1 Sancy Prince, 20-1 Reflections (Leave Roy, Gold Laio; p), 28-1 Eay Corniche (f), Case Brudy (f); Lavender Miss (p), 14 ran. TOTE: Win. 15p; places. 11p. 25p. Study (f): Lavender Miss (p). 14 fan.
TOTE: Win 13p; places, 11p. 22p.
\$1.9!: dual forecast, 49p. CSF: 51p.
W. A. Stephenson, at Hishap Averland,
R. Sl.
Swift Albany best Golden Jest by
2 neck, but with after a stewards inquity, was disqualified. 4.50' (4.51) GROVE HURBLE (Navious: 2515; 28 40)

ly Michael Seety

1.0 Sant Angelo. 2.30 Caheroyan, 3.0 Toussac. 3.30 Jonathan's Choice.
1.30 Patterns.

Miss B. Oliver 7 Mr I. Ratchife 4

ran, NR: Precode:

\*\*TOTE: Win. E3, 70: places, 25s, 10s, 55; day! forecast, 51,65; C3F; 21,76.

A. Dickinson, il Harrwood, 31, 10s, 7072; 90,0812; Forbound, and Rubstick, E35,26. TRELE: Rubstick, E57,90.

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#### PARLIAMENT, March 11, 1980.

# **Decision to site Cruise** missiles in Britain defended by minister

House of Commons
There was an armed build-up going
on on both sides, Mr Francis Pym,
Secretary of State for Defence,
said when he defended the decision
to site 160 Cruise missiles in the United Kingdom.

Earlier Mr Robert Cryer (Keighley, Lab) had urged him to review the decision and to "cancel this foolish project".

Mr Cryer said: Both sides are armed to the teeth and spending massive chunks of expenditure on armaments. It is foolish to install further Cruise missiles in this armaments. It is rooting to instant further Cruise missiles in this country, over which we have no courrol, at a cost of £10m when we are cutting back on the social ser-vices, education and health. Mr Pym (Cambridgeshire, C)-It is the view of Nato, which we is the view of Nato, which we strongly support, that this modernmation programme is necessary. There is an armed build-up going on on both sides which is wholly to he regretted. It is the purpose of the policy to reduce this on both sides.

It is well documented that the military effort in the Warsaw Pact countries is on a much larger scale than our own and that their than our own and that their present rate of increase is larger. This is a matter of regret.

We are constantly trying to reduce the scale of armaments on

both sides in these areas. Unless there is a verified and even-balanced response on both sides it behoves us to guard ourselves by having adequate forces. (Conserva-tive cheers.)

Mr Winston Churchill (Streford, C)—Has the manister considered the destrability of placing these missiles not on base where they present an ideal target for preemptive Soviet strike, but off base where they will be virtually invulnerable in their deployed and mobile position? mobile position?

Mr Pym-The intention is to base Mr Pym—The intention is to base them collectively. I cannot say in how many bases, but they are capable of deployment at short notice. That is the essence of the design. The decision whether to keep them close together or widely dispersed will depend upon the circumstances of tension, or the circumstances of tension, or the circumstances. stances of that time.

Mr Eric Heffer (Liverpool, Walton, Lab)—Will we have control over these missiles? Mr Pym—The answer is that the control that would exist is the same as it has been hitherto. There will be joint decision with the United States. That is the arrangment that has existed previously and it is the arrangement that will and it is the arrangement that will continue in future.

### **Anxiety over provision** of civil defence

There was a good deal of anxiety about whether or not the provision for civil defence was adequate. Mr Francis Pym. Secretary of State for Defence, said.

He was answering Mr John Evans (Newton, Lab) who said the minister should make it clear to his Nato colleagues that he accepted there could be no civil defence against a nuclear artack and that they should not waste taxpayers money on this fruitless enterprise. Mr Pvm-Mr Evans is expressing a minority view. Civil defence is not my responsibility but there is a great deal of anxiety about whether or not the provision that is made is adequate. The Home Secretary (Mr William Whitelaw) has this matter under review at

Mr Frank Allaun (Salford, East, Labi-Even if the survivors have sheltered five storeys below the surface, will they not have to come up some time after? Will they not find that their stricken is fatally radio active apart from being subject to a fire storm? Mr Pym-The point about our defence capability in its comprehensiveness and range, together with that of our allies, is that it is to preserve peace and prevent war ever starting in the first place. That is our strategy. There is no

aggressive thought or intention in our minds.

It is to deter the possibility of anyone thinking it worth while to start a war of this kind that we have the capability we have. Mr Stanley Newcas (Harlow, Lab) later said—There is a need for some economy in defence expend-furre in future. Does the Govern-ment not accept there is a need in the present circumstances for reductions in some of its more grandiose plans for defence expenditure increases?

Mr Pym-The situation which faces us requires us to spend more on defence rather than less, how-ever much we may dislike that. But in an organization as vast as defence there is always scope cut out waste, always ways in which things can be more effi-ciently done. That campaign is going on vigorously in my department.

#### Servicemen may get help to buy a house

The Government was looking at an assisted house purchase scheme which will help Servicemen to buy thier own homes, Mr Barney Hay-hoe, Under Secretary fo Defence for the Army sald during question

Mr Kenneth Lewis (Rutland and Stamford, C) asked the Govern-ment to bring forward proposals for improving the apportunities of Servicemen to buy their own homes ready for retirement. homes ready for retirement.

Mr Hayhoe (Hourstow, Brentford and Iselworth, C)—We intend to introduce a scheme to sell surplus married quarters to Servicemen on preferential terms broadly in line with those proposed for council tenants in the Housing Bill. We are also looking at other ways of helping Servicemen to buy their own homes, but it is too soon yet to give details.

Mr Lewis—One of the best ways a

to give details.

Mr Lewis—One of the best ways a Serviceman could be helped to buy a house when he retired would be to arrange for the Treasury to allow any Serviceman to buy a house and let it and not to have to pay capital gains tax when he sells it.

Mr Havhoe-i will look at that suggestion.

Mr Richard Mitchell (Southampton, Itchen, Lab)—There are still a ton, itchen, Laby—there are stall a number of Servicemen in no position to buy and it is a scandalous waste of public money that the Defence Department is forced to obtain orders to evict Servicemen from married quarters before local authorities will rehouse them. Mr Hayboe Many local authorities will only rehouse if eviction takes place but these things are

normally done in a way which causes little, if any, hardship to the individuals concerned. (Labour shouts of dissent.) Mr Peter Bottomley (Greenwich,

Woolwich, West, C)—There are a number of cases in my consti-tuency where arrangements be-tween the Department of Defence and local authorities have worked

Mr Hayhoe—We are looking at an assisted house purchase scheme which will help Servicemen to buy heir own homes Mr Dennis Concannon, an Opposi-tion spokesman on defence (Mans-field, Lab), said that he was dis-

field, Labl, said that he was dis-field, Labl, said that he was dis-furbed that there were local auth-orities still no more prepared to find houses for Servicemen after they had spent 22 or 23 years in the Services than they were when those men joined up those men joined up. Mr Hayhoe—The responsibility for allocating council accommodation rests with the local authorities concerued, but I agree with Mr Con-cannon that people who have served their country well deserve to be treated properly by local authorities when they resign from the Services.

# EEC much less effective without Britain

the interests of Europe as a whole that Britain should stay a member of the EEC, Mrs Margaret Thatcher, the Prime Minister, reaf-

I believe (she said) that the Community would be much less effective without Britain. Nothing will move me from that belief. Mr Eric Heffer (Liverpool, Walton, Lab) shouted—You will never set when you want then. ton, Lab) shouted—You wan never get what you want then.

Mr Heffer had said that despite Mrs Thatther's eloquence ou French television last night she had weakened the case for reducing the budget by saying in advance that under no circumstance resuld the accept the empty.

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chair policy or withdrawal from the EEC.

Mrs Thatcher (Barnet, Finchley, C)—I tried to put less night how the French would view things if they were in the same position we are and how they would demand justice from the Community. We shall go on doing just that.

The Through Reports (Mid Sussey)

Mr Timothy Renton (Mid Sussex, C)—May I congratulate Mrs Thatcher on the dide she has won in the French press today, that of the uranium lady. As a chemist she will certainly know that uranium causes fusion as well as fission. Europe today badly needs to be more united, not less. There is the Community.

Mr James Callaghan, Leader of the Opposition (Cardiff, South-East, Lab)—It was made clear at the time of the original negotiations for entry to the EEC that if an unacceptable situation should arise appropriate measures should be taken to put it right, and that the common agricultural policy expenditure should be reduced to below 50 per cent.

enter into a dissertation on the chemical qualities of uranium except to say it is a very lively metal indeed. (Laughter.)

Europe does indeed need to be united and stay united as free Europe against the non-free part of Europe which is bound by bands of steel around the Soviet Union.

Mr James Callaghan, Leader of the Opposition (Cardiff, South-East, Lab)—It was made clear ar the

Mrs Thatcher—I confirm that at the time our entry to the EBC was negotiated it was said that if an unacceptable position should arise it would be up to the Community to find a solution. An unacceptable position has arisen and it is up to the Community to find a solution.

# Minister 'totally justified' in action against area health authority

Those who unwittingly acted un-lawfully as a result of Mr Patrick Jenkin's appointment last year of Commissioners to the Lambeth, Southwark and Lewisham Area Replying to a reference at question time to Sir Derek Rayner, joint managing director of Marks and Spencer and her part-time adviser on eliminating government waste, Mrs Margaret Thatcher, the Prime Minister, described him as a

Minister, described him as a remarkable and wonderful person. Mrs Renee Short (Wolverhampton, North-East, Lah)—Will the Prime Minister find time to look at the advice given by various people to her eminence grise, Sir Derek Rayner? Several select committees are eager to have his advice and are experiencing difficulties. Will I have already offered to the are experiencing difficulties.
she remove those difficulties? Mrs Thatcher (Barnet, Finchley, C)—There may well be some prop-lems if Sir Derek Rayner is asked lems it Sir Derek kaylet is asset to every single select committee to answer for every single project which he himself has not done but which people in the separate departments have done. We might find that we lose the services of a remarkable and wonderful person.

Mr Prior not humiliated

Mrs Margaret Thatcher, the Prime Minister, denied at question time that she had humiliated Mr James that she had numinated Mr James Prior, Secretary of State for Employment. Mr Barry Jones (East Film, Lab)—Why does she constantly undermine and humiliate her Employment Secretary? (Labour Mrs Thatcher (Barnet, Finchley,

C)—She has not, (Labour laughter and Conservative cheers.) More Terriers

The strength of the Territorial Army on December 31 last year was just under 62,000, an increase was just mater of 3,000 and interess of 3,000 over the 12 months, Mr Barney Hayhoe, Under Secretary of Defence for the Army, said. The 62,000 figure was the best for TA strength since 1967, he added.

Health Authority (Teaching) should not be penalized, Mr Jenkin, Secretary of State for Social Services, said in moving the second reading of the National Health Service (Invalid Direction) Rtll.

I have already offered to the House (he said) my full and unqualified apology for having to bring in this measure; I repeat it now.

Nothing which I have to say on this occasion is intended in any sense to defract from that apology sense to detract from that apology or from the clear ministerial responsibility which I accept.

The purpose of the Bill was to regularise the position affecting the authority from the date last year when the commissioners were appointed up to March 31 this tear when members of the vear when members of the authority would resume control of

The Bill provided that the in-The Bill provided that the Instrument which purported to be a direction given by him with respect to the functions of the authority "shall have effect and be deemed to have had effect as if it had been a valid direction under Section 86 of the National Health Service Act 1977." for the period between August 1 last year period between August 1 last year period between August 1 last year and March 31 next.

The effect would be that every action of the commissioners, or of those acting on their behalf, would be as legal and binding as if they had been validly appointed by a lawful direction under the Act. The Lambeth, Southwark and

The Lambeth, Southwark and Lewisham area consisted of a mixture of teaching hospitals, older 
community hospitals, and a wide 
spread of community services.

In July, 1978, his predecessor, 
Mr David Ennals, called on the 
area to plan to reduce its annual 
spending by about 13m in 1979-80 
and to make similificant progress. and to make significant progress to that end in 1978-79. By October, 1978 it had become clear that the 1978 it had become clear that the health authority would not comply with the minister's decision. Overspending was estimated to be running at no less than 55.3m.

Mr Ennals had asked the authority to reduce its expenditure by at least £1m in the remainder of the year and to plan so their expenditure in 1979-80 should not exceed the 1977-78 level in real terms.

sultation with staff sides.

This was not before time. At an area-region meeting in July, a year after Mr Ennais had in-structed the area to remain within its cash limits, the area treasurer was forecasting overspending amounting to £5m in 1979-80 on top of the overspending of £4.3m top or the overspending of 24,3m the previous year.

VAT, the only budget change to affect the position, amounted to between fim and £1.5m, or a little over one-fifth of the total anticipated overspend.

On July 24, Dr Gerard Vaughan, the Minister of State for Health, and written to the chairman.

been affected.

the Minister of State for Health, had written to the chairman making it plain that health authorities' cash limits would not be increased to cover the effects if inflation, although there would be increases in respect of the costs of pay settlements, apart from the area's share of the sum of £23m which the previous Government had decided to withhold.

On July 30, the area had ac-

If he wanted to wipe the slate

clean, he had got to take action which would reimburse and assist the rehabilitation of this area health authority. If they resumed

office in a bloody minded sense

and there was conflict, this matter would not be resolved.

Mr Robert McCrindle (Brentwood

and Ongar, C) said this was no occasion for Mr Jenkin toappear before the House in sackcloth and

ashes. On the contrary, a great deal of what he had done was proper and correct. They were required to consider the Bill only

Without action by Mr Jenkin, the money available to the Lambeth, Southwark and Lewisham AHA would have run out before the end of this financial year. The

estimate of overspending had not action been taken was £5m in 1979.
The money would have had to be

found from somewhere to meet the deficit—and that could only mean other AHAs—or the Government

other AHAS—or the Government would have been obliged to abandon its cash limits policy.

The Government took the action which was clearly necessary. Had the previous Government been in office and had their cash limits policy still been in force, they would have been required to take the same action.

the same action.

The ultimate objective of the Government of requiring cash limits to be accepted had been

achieved. In all conscience, it had been achieved in a circultous way and had caused hardship and con-

cero. But the rule of law andthe authority of Government had been

on the narrowest possible point.

that the authority seemed intent on spending which was not its to spend. This could not continue. He had finished his letter by saying that unless the authority accepted its duty to act promptly and effectively he would have not alternative to using the statutory powers of direction awailable to him.

In spite of that clear warning (Mr Jenkin went on) the authority continued to equivocate. They gave instructions to reduce the current overspending of £5.3m by film but added a rider that there should be no curs to patient services and staff.

Mr Ennals had expressed deep misgivings about that rider and had called for the region and area to turn their artention to the position from 1980-81 onwards and to report to him by the end of March, 1979.

That was the position he Inherited on coming into office, a consistent refusal by the authority to live within its income despite repeated warnings from Mr Ennals.

Indeed so far from any reductions, at their May meeting last year the authority was warned by its officers that the expenditure

Emals.

Indeed so far from any reductions, at their May meeting last year the authority was warned by its officers that the expenditure trend appeared to be increasing. This was well before the budget. take action in 2 way that is both lawful and effective. They cannot, and certainly Labour MPs cannot, fairly criticize me for acting decisively when I did.

The result of the five commissioners he had then appointed had been characteric clear to bring At last in June the area in-structed its districts to live within the allocations made to them and it agreed to curtail regional and supra-regional services and also in principle to reduce staffing levels by natural wastage in consioners he had then appointed had been abundantly clear: to bring the area's spending within the cash limits for 1979-80 in such a way that the area could reasonably expect to abide by whatever limits might be imposed for the following year. He was grateful to them and no shred of blame attached to them for the fact that the to them for the fact that the House had to have the Bill today. Last month, the commissioners had been on course to ensure that the area's spending would be within the cash limits in this financial year, within £100,000

They were in no doubt that the underlying rate of spending would still need to be cut back next year if the threat of overspending was to be permanently removed. The difficulty for the commissioners had arisen because they had been forced to find savings for the full year when they had to start halfway through the year against a rising trend of expenditure. The authority's refusal to the head of the contract between the head in the first between the head in the first between the head of the contract between cut back at the beginning of the year had made the cuts all the more drassic when they had come.

could be persuaded to resist the calls from Labour MPs that this was a matter which couldhave called for his resignation. He had

previous minister, Sir Keith Joseph, who was a political madman, had introduced a new system. Guy's, King's and Sr Thomas's were the largest teaching hospitals

in the country. When they were amalgamated into one area by Sir Keith Joseph they were set on a

disaster course.

The over-spending occurred because the area was uncontroll-

Mr Roser Moste (Faversham C)

Mr Roger Moate (Faversham, C) said the Minister's action was politically justified and right and would be regarded in the end as a good thing for the health service. In a way it was a triumph for the rule of law, it showed that in this country an individual could challenge the decision of a minister in the courts.

Mr Christopher Price (Lewisham, West, Lab) said the minister's actions on August 1 represented a political act of panic. He was deceived by his own propaganda about the attitude of members of the area health suphority and pro-

the area health authority, and par-ticularly the borough of Lambeth, in the sort of way the whites in Rhodesia were deceived about Mr

Mugabe.
There was no decision to defy
the cash limits. The resolution
passed by the area health authority

did not have that meaning. Allit said was that before any reductions

in patients' services took place they would like to supervise that reduction rather than delegating it

Jenkin to reiterate his apology and say he was wrong. He had a responsibility to many of the people that had been disadvanaged and to the hosoitals that had Rermondsey. Tah) said that the

able.

gent and bard working.

The ad hoc investigation in the auspices of operation Couman was utsatisfactory became was of a temporary tature, rupt officers appeared to be that if they could string the along for a sufficient period obstructed inquiries, the most turn of the inquiry would be and officers who had built experience in Operation Couman would go back to their fewith corrupt officers getting scot-free. Scot-free.

The Bill would avoid such at walling and ensure that skills up in one investigation were lost in another. Under the prosystem justice could not be to be properly done when police were seen to be investing themselves.

New agency

for police

complaints

Proposed

After 10 years of almost of imous investigations, it was a clear that corraption among small, but constanting minority the detective force of the Met politan Police had been institutionalized, Mr. Jack St. (Blackburn, Lab) said.

He successfully sungly

(Blackburn, Lab) said.

He successfully sought leave introduce the Police Bill will provides for the investigation serious complaints of crimes or mined by police officers to made by a permanent and separate police complaints investigated by lavyers people with police experience.

Each investigation, from one conducted by The Times years ago, through that of

one conducted by The Times years ago, through that of Robert Mark, down to the cur Operation Countryman, far if ending crimes of corruption exposed a much more serlayer. This damaged the muland reputation of the overwheling majority of the police to the metropolitan area, England Wales, who were honest the gent and bard working majority and part and part working.

ing themselves.

It was wrong that the Directof Public Prosecutions should placed in a position where he to allocate lawyers to work Operation Countyman. This conty compromise his independ and impartiality.

The Bill would also splir Metropolitan Police into a nat police agency and Greater Lopolice force.

It was clear that the Police and the police force. It was clear that the Police had not worked as was inte-in 1964 and the police were accountable than they were well as being more detached communities.

The time had come for a function of the tionship of the police with communities, together with assessment of the mechanism controlling and holding the processory. to account.
The Bill was read a first ti

Attack on TV programme

about soldiers The BBC2 television progra on Sunday night, Gone for a dier, attacked by a former Ma officer and Conservative as "disgraceful" was said

Mr Patrick Wall (Haltem C)—what action will the mil-take on the disgraceful broadcast on BBC2 on Si which showed the Army strike-breaking civilian-ba-mob, commanded by incomp. officers?

Mr Barney Hayboe, Under Signary of Defence for the Arministra a highly personalized—imight say prejudiced—she selective use of material, offer many in this country, alt imagine widely recognized what it was.

Monitoring force

Mr Francis Pym, Secretary of for Defence, in a written a said—The Monitoring Force now been withdrawn from assembly points in Rhodesia tomorrow (wednesday) some British personnel will returned to the United Kingdo There are currently some There are currency headquarters, support, liaison training personnel in Rhodesi we are planning that some remain until about the tin independence. The extent of independence assistance to Zimbah military assistance to Zimbal being discussed with the new ernment.
The British and other Com wealth Servicemen in Rho have performed a unique task

outstanding success. Tobacco duty

Mr John Horam (Gateshead. Lab) asked the Chancellor Exchequer what would be t crease in tobacco products necessary to restor the duty. same proportion of the retain of a packet of 20 standard tipped digarettes as it was the tim elt was increased; and by much such an increase would the pric efos uch a packet of

Mr Peter Rees, Minister of S Treasury, saidin a written re The duty increase wouldbe a £5.75 per 1.000 cigarettes, lea to a price increase (inclusiv VAT) of around 13p for a ty, packet of 20 cigarettes.

### Competition in education would do no harm

House of Lords Lady David (Lab) moved an amendment on the second day of the committee stage of the Education (No 2) Bill which, she said, explained how parents and teachers would be elected to governing bodies of exheric Parents. erning bodies of schools. Peers were resuming consideration of Clause 2 (Requirements as to gov-

said that where a secret was to be held the local authority would ensure that a brief biography of candidates and state-ment of policy was made available with ballot papers. Such ballot papers would be issued to all elec-

iors.
In the election of parent governors, each parent of a pupil would have a vote, and where a parent had more than one child in a school there would be one vote per child. In the election of staff governors each full-time and each part-time member would have one

Lord Parry (Lab) said he did not have confidence that the new system of local government was close enough to the people to be able to give the type of detailed know-ledge that the amendment sug-

ence the system used for appointment of managers worked well. People appointed were known, took the job seriously and had the good of the school at heart. Lord Bellwin, Under Secretary for Environment, said the Govern-ment's policy was to work on the assumption that local education

authorities behaved reasonably and to leave detailed arrangements of election in their hunds. Experience showed the more detail and chapter and verse were written into such matters, the more complex they became. There

would be greater expense if the amendment was implemented.
The amendment was withdrawn.
The clause was agreed to.
On Clause 3 (Grouping of schools under single governing body). hody).

Lady David (Lah) moved an amendment which, she said, ensured that junior and infant schools could come under one but primary schools would not be able to be grouped. She distrusted the intentions of the Government in the clause. Lord Bellwin. Under Secretary for the Environment, said that it was sensible to leave this matter to the discretion of local education auth-

orities. Grouping should be deter-mined in the light of local circum-The amendment was rejected by 149 votes to 65—Government majority, 84.

Lady David moved an amendmen which, she said, made sure that in a grouping of schools to provide one governing body each school should have one teacher and one parent on that body. Under the clause two parents or two teachers could come from one school. The amendment would create fairness

Lady Young, Minister of State for Education and Science, said that the Government had tried to ensure that governing bodies, by having one parent and one teacher from a number of grouped schools, would not be too large. It was would not be too large. It was intended to move to the stage where every school had its own governing body.

The amendment was rejected by majority, 43. The clause was agreed to. Lady David (Lab) moved an amendment to Clause 6 (parental preferences) which, she said, would make sure that a local education with the control of the contr

cation authority had a responsibility to make arrangements for parents to express preference for schools only in so far as those arrangements referred to schools only in so far as those arrange ments referred to schools within the area of the authority. Authority a should not be expected to make arrangements to enable a parent to express pre ference for a school in authority B

lf agreements between authorities for such arrangements had been made, that would be permissible. It was a safeguarding amend-ment. There should not be a lot of poaching going on across bound Lady Young, Minister of State for

Education and Science, said The Government made a commitment in its manifesto to extend parental in its manifesto to extend parental choice and that commitment was recognized by the Clause.

The amendment would restrict the choice to a school in the parents' area. The Government had not said that every parent would have an absolute right to go to the school of first choice, but it was attempting to get the maximum amount of choice allowable. It was a matter of principle to parents who were deeply concerned about the education of their children and who desired to make a choice.

The amendment was negatived.

# Reasonable to retain curb on immigration

A motion calling for the rejection of the statement of changes in the immigration rules was rejected on Monday night by 307 votes to 255—Government majority, 52.

Mr Merlyn Rees, chief Opposition spokesman on home affairs (Leeds, South, Lab), moving the motion, said the genesis of the debate lay in the notorious remark in 1978 Mrs Margaret Thatcher as Leader Opposition about this country being swamped b yimmi-gration from the new Commonvealth. She was wrons she was still wrong.

The Opposition had made clear their dislike of the Government's proposals on husbands and male flances. They opposed them in December and still rejected this receiving of the miles. section of the rules.

When Labour returned to office they would treat men and women in the same way. They did not accept the Government's proposals and would revoke these rules. The Government continued to breat arranged marriages as an abuse. To talk about them in this way flew in the face of the facts.

The numbers were falling as Asian girls found husbands in this country so this was not a long-term There was discrimination within a family. They still had the situation where because of the rules of the EEC a German or French girl

ould come here with an Asian The rules were still racist and sexist. Was it really necessary for the British Government to show itself to be in deliberate breach of its moral and legal international obligations for such a puny result? Mr Timothy Raison, Minister of State, Home Office (Aylesbury, C), said the Government had come power committed to firm immicontrol in the interests of good community relations. If it could end the persistent fears about the level of immigration, it could relieve some of the tensions that occasionally erupted. It was

Some people on temporary visits seemed able to extend their stay far beyond what seemed reasonable. There was still sharp argument about the Government's position on husbands and flances. The new rules would enable the Government to refuse an application for a man whose marriage was contracted

concerned to close Icopholes

ployment and pressure on Britain's facilities and services, it was right that immigration should be kept to a reasonable limit.

There was great pressure to come here from many parts of the world. They must look to the rules to coutrol this pressure and make sure those who came were those whose case was strongest. The professional means of primary male. principal means of primary male immigration had become marriage rather than employment. The problem of husbands and flances had troubled successive governments.

Marriage was still being used as a means of securing entry.

He rejected the allegation that the rules were racially discriminatory. There were no grounds for alleging that the motivation for these restrictions was racially prejudiced. The Government's aim was to prevent the use of marriage as a means of securing settlement in the United Kingdom. Mr David Steel, leader of the

Liberal Party (Roxburgh, Selkirk and Peebles), said the best esti-mates he had been able to obtain andicated that between 2,000and 3.000 people would be prevented from entering this country as a result of these miserable regula Mr Epoch Powell (South Down Mr Enoch Powell (South Down, Off UU) said that unless they were to say to the part of the resident population of England "you shall not marry whence you please, you may not choose or find spouses where you think fit", it was abourd to contend an end could be harmone to imminerian.

brought to immigration. If the prospective pattern of the population of this country was such that this country wouldnot be worth living in or capable of being governed for all who lived in it, then it was the duty of those in authority to take measures accord-

ingly. What the Government is doing What the Government is using the said) and what the Conservative Party has done, by what it has said in its election manifesto, and by the way it has acced in office, is to renege upon that responsibility. They have not been prepared to say to the public: This is the view of the population of England, we believe it is acceptable, we intend to maintain it, and nothing that we will do or bring forward can make any practical effect to it. By this kind of fiddling, they are with settlement here in view.

It was a widely held view that
primary immigration should come

and the British people the duty which
as a Government it owes to them.

#### terms. Mr Ennals had written saying Inquiry on London hospitals urged Mr Stanley Orme, chief Opposition spokesman on social services (Sal-ford, West, Lab), said Mr Jenkin

had at times tried to put a gloss on the situation, but the basic fact was that he broke the law. He did not take sufficient advice certainly this was a sorry day for legislation. During the committee and report stages of the Bill the Opposition would press on the Government the actions it should take in the interests of the many people who had been damaged by the illegal action and the action of the commissioners as such. The Royal Commission on the NHS came forward with the prop-

osition for a full-scale inquiry into the London hospital scene. The VAT increase particularly did not main burden was felt. Without delay the Government should set up a wide-ranging inquiry into the London hospital osition. If it was not prepared to do this, he gave fair warning that the Opposition would be campaign-ing vigorously for such an inquiry. It was justified because of the

changes in medicine and the teaching hospitals. It would be difficult to assist areas like the North-East and the West in the redistribution of west in the redistribution of resources unless they got the London hospital scene right.

The Opposition would not divide the House against the Bill. They wanted to get the area health authority back in its legitimate office.

The House was entitled to know whether the two hospitals closed whether the two hospitals closed

by the Commissioners would be reopened again, particularly St On cash limits, while Mr Jenkin might lay down cash limits for the mignt lay down cash finds for the coming year, it would be wrong if the limits for the current year imposed by the Commissioners should have to be carried by the returning AHA. Having made a mistake of this magnitude the Gov-

Parliamentary notices House of Commons
Today at 2.30: Proceedings on Consoil
dated Fund (No 2) Bill.
House of Lords Today at 2.50: Debate on the Brandl report,

# reduction rather than delegating it to their bureaucrats. Mr Jenkin hadgiven two reasons to the court forhis use of section 85 and the court had disbelieved 20th. He (Mr Price) believed that he bad not used Section 27 because he was frightened of his order being defied. All had ended well if Mr Jenkin Canadian collects pick of maiolic 🦠 :

By Geraldine Norman Sale Room Correspondent A sale of Italian majolica at

Sotheby's yesterday saw intense competition for the best pieces, but less interest in the minor lots.
A private collector from Canada carried off most of the top priced items. He paid £25,000 (estimate £8,000 to £10,000) for a fifteenth century Florentine "oak leaf" 28,000 to £10,000) for a fifteenth century Florentine "oak leaf" jar. It stands 24 cms high, has two handles, and is decorated with a blue oak leaf pattern on a white ground with manganese outlines. It is a type of early pot much admired by the Florentine and a rarity; the last time Sotheby's had one for sale was in 1975. The same private collector paid £17.000 (estimate £9,000 to £12,000) for an Urbino dish painted with a scene from the Aeneid by Francesco Xanto Avelli, a heautiful dish depicting the story of Karus by a distinguished painter, the contemporary of Xanto, who signs with the initials "FR". The plate had been damaged and repaired. had been damaged and repaired. There was a group of albarellos or waisted jars from the Damiron collection; the Damirons, a family from Lyons, formed one of the finest maiolica collections, There was an important sale at Sotheby's in the 1930s and several pieces have gone to the museum in Lyons; the albarellos in yester-day's sale came direct from the family and the resonance of their

There were two damaged Faenza albarellos of the late fifteenth century at £11,000 (estimate £3,000-£5,000) and £12,500 (estimate 3,000-£5.000). The auction totalled £162,465 with 2 per cent Sotheby's also held a sale of

Continental pottery and porcelain which totalled £37,148 with 9 per cent unsold. Davies Antiques paid the top price at £5,500 (estimate £3,000-£5,000) for a Meissen £3-piece tea service of about 1770 decorated with landscape panels. Mrs Doris Langley Moore's extraordinary collection of hats and other costumes brought a scrum of excited private collectors and museum curators to Christie's South Kensington yesterday. Mrs Langley Moore, now aged 77, watched the hats that she had bought and worn with exurberant enjoyment bring 54,177 under the hammer. She had such quantiles of them that not all were sold.

The Victoria and Albert Museum paid £40 for a bonnet of about 1865; and a pillbox hat of about 1860; they suent £35 on seven hats Mrs Langley Moore had had from Simone Mirman in the 1950. Two lots of three hats cach, all bought by Mrs Langley Moore in 1937, cost them another £30 and £35. Most of these six came from Marshall and Snel-grove. Museum paid £40 for a bon

actually worn by Mrs Lan , Moore, was a pillbox hat of pi shades of spun glass made snaces of spun glass made Simone Mirman in 1951; it for £45. The hat was widely or cized in £951, modelfed by £ Soyle. Simone Mirman makes; for the Queen, many member; the Royal Family and the Susiness world. The sale costume totalled £9.063 with 6 cent unsold. cent unsold.

At Phillips a sale of Old Mapalntings totalled £292,000 with per cent unsold. The top price, the sale was £32,000 (estin £6,000-£8,000), paid by £6,000-£8,000, paid by £6,000-£8,000, paid by £6,000-£8,000, paid by £6,000, paid by the Younger. The high unsold is centage was largely to be explain by a single painting; a "Made" and Child", catalogued as hy "Circle of Adriaen Isenbrant was unsold at £50,000 (csplain £60,000). Mr Britan Koetser, head of Phillips picture depicture, commented that prices Flemith primitives were erfail. Flemish primitives were erral to time for the great names, there appeared to be no great demand for lesser examples. Christic's sale of English dr ins and watercolours of f43.269 with 15 per cent usof their sale of fine Jaran certwice, larenuers and hron made \$121,760 with 6 per c

# Flexibility sought in EEC regional policy: funds scarce

European Parliament
Strasbourg
There was criticism from MEPs at
the inadequacy of aid being made
available for a special programme
to help areas adversely affected by
the restructuring of the steel and
shipbuilding industries.
The programme also includes a
measure to improve the economic
and social situation of the border
areas of the Republic of Ireland and social situation of the border areas of the Republic of Ireland and Northern Ireland.

This aid would be from the non-quota section of the regional development fund and goes to areas proposed by the Commission as distinct from help from the quota section with goes to development. section which goes to development areas defined by member states. areas defined by memore states.

Mr John Taylor (Northern Ireland, Ed) said on cross border aid
that to spend money on promoting
tourism, including picric sites, in
places like Crossmagled where

gramme was not enough.

building provisions and that areas like Scunthorpe were excluded from the steel proposals.

further giant steps are needed before we have an effective community regional policy. tions on the details.

The London docks were an example. Because they existed inside a generally prosperous area they could not benefit from the quota section.

There was not enough informainere was not enough intorma-tion in many countries on the extent of Community funds. We regard this system (she said) as a step in the right direction but

munity regional poticy.

Mr Alasdair Hutton (South of Scotland, ED) said at least MEPs were now seeing a start in forming a truly European regional policy. This was good because the people did not understand the sophisticated nuances involved in the way regional funds were being spent.

The 5 per cent figure should be only the thin end of the wedge. It must be a high priority to drive this wedge home. Neil Blaney (Ireland, TCDG) Mir Neil Blaney (Ireland, TCDG) also felt the amount involved was too small. The whole regional fund, non-quota or quota, was too small. They may not be making the best uses of the resources, either. For the most deprived and disadvantaged areas of his country there was lack of coordination between the various nollicies which could do

Housing was the most hasic requirement for a stable and growing population. Parliament should think in terms of assisting housing, giving national governments aid which they could match. Mr Michael Welsh (Lancashire, Central, ED) said Lancashire was

working on a five-year structural plan which would make it a boom area in the 1990s, able to contrib-ute to the wellbeing of those less

sal was under discussion, sale the oreginality of the proposals was im-portant. They were intended to help communities to help them-selves. But more could have been done to help craft trades.

ents had not been objective

places like Crossmaglen where people were being murdered and where Ulster people would not dore to go would be laughed out of court by people in the North. Mr Winston Griffiths (South Wales, Soc). for the socialist group, gare a qualified welcome to the proposals. He said the 5 percent allocation from the regional development fund to the non-quarta section was derisory and totally unsufficient.

The Commission should submit urgently further proposals for aid to those regions facing the most serious economic and social conditions. South Wales and the North of England waited with baited breath for the axe to fall on thousands of jobs which would require massive investment by the national government and the Community to provide new jobs.

But money alone was not enough to deal with these problems. Change was needed in policies which made regional problems more difficult to overcome. Greatof non-quota funds for regional development. Money could be set aside for Industrial initiative, for Instance.

Herr Haos-Gert Poltering (West Germany, EPP), for the European People's Party, said people must be able to find jobs where their families and friends were. This must be seen as a fundamental principle of regional policy. The 5 per cent available for this programme was not enough. Mr David Harris (Cornwall and MIT David marris (Cornwall and Plymouth. ED) said his group wanted a genuine Community approach to regional policy. There were anomalies. It was a pity that Tayside was excluded from ship-

He urged support for the propo-als, however, though with reserva-His group and its predecessors in the previous parliament had been in the forefront of advocating a non-quota section which could bring more flexibility to regional policy. A main aim under this section should be to help particular black spots, possibly in prosperous regions.

quota section.

M Maurice Martin (France, Comm) said the Commission should propose further areas of action as funds increased. Mrs Eileen Desmond (Ireland, Soc) said many other worthy projects could be included under this section if there were more money. In Ireland, for instance, primary and secondary roads were defecthe various policies which could do much if used together. The CAP and social funds could be part of a

Mr Jeremiah Cronin (Ireland, DEP), rapporters of the DEP), rapporteur of the regional policy and regional planning committee, whose report on the proposal was under discussion, said the

done to help craft trades.

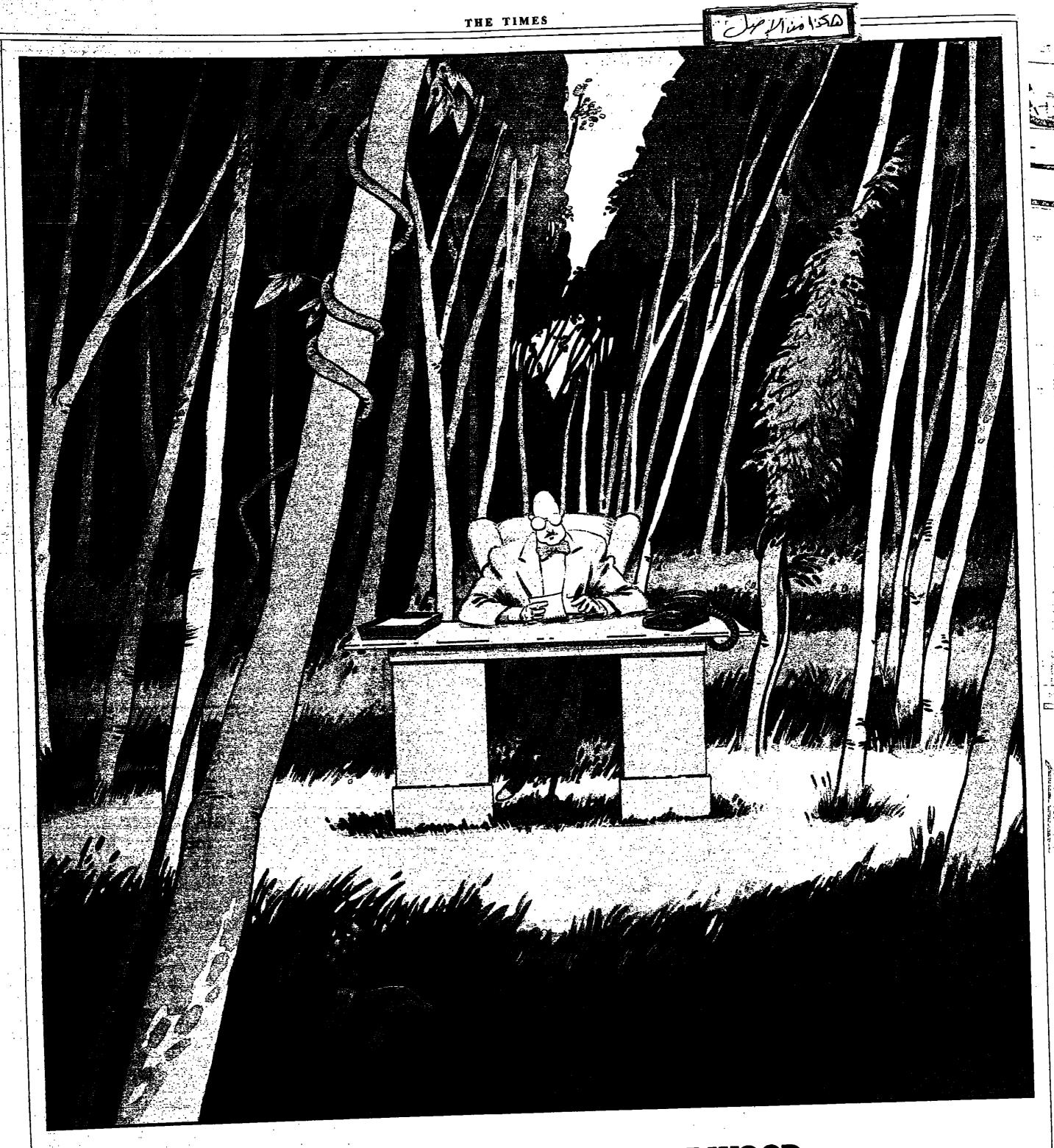
The Commission, in any further proposals, should take account of the coastal erosion causing heavy financial losses in the Community.

Signor Antonio Giolitti. Commissioner with responsibility for coordinating Community funds and regional policies, said the Commission must make a greater and more analytical analysis of the regional situation. Funds were scarce.

But this did not mean that payt But this did not mean that payt

They had, perhaps, failed to cover sufficiently, learing a "watering can" policy and a favouring of major projects more likely to strike the imagination.

The debate was concluded,



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Edward Heath on the West's struggle to keep up with changes in world politics

# The way to avoid a Caribbean crisis

The Somiet invasion of Afghanism has demonstrated all ton erly that at the moment the is merely reacting to 3. Far from foreseeing traits. Far from torescening trait, let alone controlling trait, the West is struggling hard to catch up with the current changes in world politics and endeavouring to save something from the wreck where is his been taken unawares or

We can see this demonstrated in the changing attitude of the West towards Turkey and Pakistan. Over the past few years Tarkey had to all intents and purposes been sent to Coventry by the administration in Washincton because of its action in Cyprus and in the Aegean.

in consequence. Turkey hefrom the West and began to he economy started to run down and its political institutions became less and less stable. Until rent it was on the point of disintegration. Since Afghani-ran, however, President Carter has been forced to reverse his reliev towards Turkey and the to restore order and

L'kewise Pakistan had been inorded by the West since General Zia took office. His regime did not appeal to those who had worked with Mr Blutto er to those concerned with the r ore general question of human rights. As a consequence Palassan received little financial support from either governmental or international

As for Afghanistan itself, capita income of £40 a year, it is worth noting that the contribution towards his imporerished and undere-Inced land was around film last

Little, in fact, was done to he'p these three countries until Soviet intervention in Afghanistan. This applies also to a large number of other countries in the developing and non-aligned world.

I'm the West cannot 20 on waiting for the next crisis and then hasten to proffer its support, financial, economic and military, to threatened countries-in an attempt to protect what it regards as its own long-term interests. It must look where the needs are greatest. conomic instability are highest and where a deterioration of the situation is most likely to affect our vital interests so that speedily take the necessary

In any case, to await the onset of a crisis before acting may drubly counter-productive. It may be too late and it may lead the recipients of our rentions to believe that the West is concerned only with its

Looking around the world at this moment there is one area. paying greater attention; the Caribbean, It is an area of vital rrategic importance for the terms with United States, but one with long historical connexions with
the European powers.
It is not enough to say that
responsibility for this large area

This almost exactly correst was so inflexible that with the ponds to the position in the continued increase in oil prices
and the failure of bauxite to ing himself: "Who really are produce higher revenues, the direction it will take.



The area that demands the West's urgent attention-not least because some governments may be turning towards Cuba and its powerful protector

can be left to the United States. Because of the latter's rigid attitude towards Cuba and its policy in Central America most of the islands in the Caribbean do not wish to be too closely associated with Washington.

On the other hand, it cannot be denied that Cuba would like to see its own power spreading more and more widely through-out the area. Its influence would reflect Soviet policy in the same way that Cuban troops in Africa are acting as proxy forces for the Russians. This is not something which the great majority of the islanders would wish to see, but the social and economic conditions so often prevalent Flay appear to leave

This attitude has been reinforced by President Carter's handling of the question of the combat battalion . in Cuba. Whether one accepts the Soviet argument that it had been left there after the withdrawal at the end of the Cuban crisis of 1962 and was well known to Washington; or hether one believes that had only recently been posi-tioned there, the fact remains that after taking up a firm stance President Carter later

This has naturally made goveruments in the Caribbean ask hemselves how much support they can expect to get from an American administration in times of difficulty. Would they not do better to safeguard themselves by setting on good téctor ?

our friends?" They thought for 30 years that the Americans were the Shah's friends, but Washington pulled the rug from under him. Who now can

they trust?
The American President has blocked blocked the Iranian funds deposited in the United States for a political reason. May be not discover some other political reason which would give him the opportunity of blocking the precious funds of

Over the past seven years the Caribbean countries have been hit as hard as anyone by the continual and rapid rise in oil prices. Those, like Jamaica, which had accumulated reserves before independence rapidly found them exhausted paying for their energy

They have tried to keep up purchases from developed world but at the price of increasing their indebtedness. The cost of servicing these debts has now increased far beyond their expectations because of the present high level of interest

Unemployment is high, in Jamaica around 25 per cent, out despite this inflation conrinues to mount. The consequences in social unrest create an environment in which people are only too ready to mfluenced by left-wing

ideologies. The International Monetary Fund has been active in trying to helm lamaica solve its ills. but the formula it laid down island was unable to adhere to

This appears to be an example where the IMF experts themselves have been more concerned to pursue their doctrines than to consider the economic difficulties in bringing about the changes which are desired. The result of the possent review by the IMF will be watched closely by the whole of the developing world to see whether the IMF is now prewnemer the IMF is now pre-pared to recognize the realities of the present situation.

This was a frequent criticism those who appeared before whom described demands accepted as normal by developed world only undermined government they were designed to support in a developing

I experienced the same problem in a rather different way in Ghana in 1971. Its government was asking only ficient finance to take clean water, sanitation, and lighting able to do this its democratic regime could have achieved sufficient support to face other criticism. As we failed to muster sufficient funds to cover even these basic needs the democratic regime was overthrown by a military coup.

It is the fear of a reptition of such events which drives leaders such as Mr Norman Manley of Jamaica to urge the governments of the North to before they again taken unawares. Grenada is already given up for lost. St ence, is still trying to settle the

countries look like moving in the wrong direction it must be their own fault and they must take responsibility for it. Their policies must have been wrong, and if only they had behaved like Singapore or Hongkong the position would be quite differ-ent. In fact there is no com-manifer hat make the besie singparison between the basic situa-tion in which these islands find selves and those men Leaving that aside, there are, of course cases in which the policies followed have been

misguided. Transnarional comectivities; production of basic raw materials has come to a standstill; internal disorder has frightened away both over-

has frightened away both over-seas residents and tourists.
However, that does not ex-cuse us from making every effort, by discreet influence and material help, to restore stable conditions. The good ex-amples, such as Barbados, bear witness to what can be achieved. The per capita in-come there for 1979 exceeded 2,000 United States dollars for the first time. Barbados couples the first time. Barbados couples political stability at home with on-alighment abroad.

We now need to pay much greater attention to the Caribbean The European Community is already, helping under the Lome agreement, and in particular through its sugar agreement. France still has direct connexions with islands such as Martinique and Guadeloupe. The British links appear to be somewhat more tenuous since the breakdown of the West Indian Federation 18 years ago and the general desire in Whitehall not to be lumbered any longer with economic and milicommitments in that part

Canada has a long-standing and happy relationship with the area, both from the point of view of taking immigrants, now strictly limited, and belping with its development. One is reminded of this every time one uses the airport at Barbados. There stand in large lettering the thanks of the island to Ganada for the major contribution in her made to rede and tion it has made to trade and tourism on the island.

With ever-larger revenues from the continuous increase in oil prices. Venezuela could accept considerable responsi-bility for helping the weaker developing countries in the Caribbean Venezuela continually proclaims its pride in the development of its democratic institutions over the past 20 years, and rightly so.

Part of the responsibility which accompanies both wealth and political experience is to support those who are struggling to make progress along the same path. Venezuela has frequently taken a major part in the North-South dialogue and the President's special repre-sentative, Dr Goerrero, is one of the best informed and skilnegotiators in this field. would be both appropriate satisfying if Venezuela

now to apportion substantial resources to sound de-velopment, of which she already has considerable experience, to the area which must continue of most importance to liec. © Times Newspapers, 1980.

#### Bernard Levin

# How far left can the truth be stretched?

There is a lot of tall anous a new assance between the left and right wings of the Labour Parry. The left, it is being said, has split into two parts, consisting of a same left and a hunatic left (or to be absolutely precise into a luna-nic but practical late and a brantic but practical left and a luna-tic left tour court), and the same left are about to join forces with the centre and the right (in some versions this has already taken place) in order to wage a joint struggle against the Government.

It may be so. Many of the believe that the nation voted Conservative last May because the Labour Party's programme was insufficiently socialist; disgusted with Labour's inability or reluctance to turn Britain or reinfrance to turn strain into a fully Mariast state, Labour voters turned to the Tories, convinced that a Thauther government would see that they were rewarded for their helpful apostasy by the Immediate nationalization of the means of nanonanzanon of the means of production, distribution and ex-change, together with a substan-tial increase in the powers and rights of the trade unions. On the other hand, there are also those on Labour's left who have begin to suspect that a regum to suspect that a pro-gramme consisting only of such neasures as those, or even of those measures with the addition of a promise to bring in rationing of food, clothing and cigarettes, to prohibit foreign travel and to oblige the television authorities to replace Wonder Woman, Coronation Street, Jim'll Fix It, This Is Your Life and Robin's Nest with a series of lectures on dialectical materialism might not, such is the perversity. short-sightedness and ingratitude of the electorate, suffice to ensure an overwhelming Lab our victory at the next election.

#### **Dubious**

It is this latter group, so the argument runs, who have now decided that it is better to team up with the hated class-traitors and perty-bourgeois agents of capitalism on Labour's front they shall one day be in a position to discard such dubious and strictly temporary allies and go on to ruin the country, rather than continue now to maintai<del>n</del> their resolute refusal Ctó have anything whatever to do with such neo-fascists bosses' friends, and thus, though savrisk of never being in a position to ruin the country at all, or any rate until they are too old to enjoy it.

Of course, it must always be remembered that in order to reproduce exactly even the most recondite postures for sexual congress illustrated in those helpful manuals on the subject, two people are required, not wheeze outline above to have any chance of working, the Labour moderates must be willing to go along with it. To obtain their consent, however, is the easiest part of

curtains in no time.

I should not be at all surprised, therefore, to learn that some such plan is going metrily

some such plan is going metrify forward. A compromise will be reached on the question of what should be in the manifesto, or who writes it, or at least who has the power of veto over it; a great deal can be done with vague phrases like "extending public ownership". ensuring that the press is more broadly responsive to the country's real needs", or "in country's real needs", or "in consultation with the TUE", or "a searching look at expendi-ture on defence", or "a cau-tious increase in the money supply while ensuring that the fight against inflation goes on ". Ever since Harold Wilson became leader of the Labour Party, the dominant policy of the centre and right has been to do anything at all that may be necessary to retain or regain office, non, whatever may be consequences for the



Mrs Shirley Williams: the moderate Labour figure who could face an awful dilemma at the next election

country, or even the party, in the future, including the im-mediate future; indeed, the Labour moderates have shown themselves willing to betray the principles they profess today, in the hope that something will happen to avert disaster before tomarrow. Every year, we tead in the less expensive Sunday newspapers a story of some un-fortunate bank-clerk who has been helping himself to the funds and putting the money on horses, being obliged to help himself to greater and greater sums in the hope that one huge will enable him to restore

audit. So it has been for years with the Labour moderates, and if the present stories are true, And yet anybody would think, from the prolonged argument over publication of the hill Report, that Mr Callaghan hadn't read it, or indeed that he hadn't known everything that was in it for at least a couple of years before it was written. The Labour moderates—not only Callaghan, but Healey, Varley, Rees, Williams,

the defalcations before the

even Hattersley and Owen-know what the fate of the party and the country is to be if the non-democratic and fellow-travelling left come to power. They know also that those people cannot come to power except behind the stalking-liorse of the moderates them-selves, because (this is the principle that the non-lunatic left has grasped) the country simply will not vote for a party visibly dominated by people whose political philosophy is essentially totalitarian.

Come; let us be personal. In

the last election campaign. Mrs Shirley Williams allowed her-self to be presented not only as a truly moderate and democratic figure, which she unsmall football and doubtedly is, but as a guarantee that the Labour Party was in no danger of being taken over, or even seriously influenced, by immoderate and undemocratic forces. She knew as well as Lord Underhill the real extent of that real danger; yet the first word of warning she

the operacion, at Malvolio said:
"Why this is evident to any formal capacity, there is no obstruction in this." The smell choose Mrs Williams of office in the hostrils for that though of course that comment above applies to virtually at the indersate Labour leader than the indersate Labour leader than the indersate if she is apparatus to the indersate if she is apparatus to the indersate if she is apparatus to the indersate in the indersate is she is apparatus to the indersate in the indersate ship, because if she is appar-ently willing to look away from the truth when hes are being rial Labour front-bencher is going to do anything braver. So now let us sharpen the dilemma for her. Suppose at the next election she is still in politics, fighting her old seat doubt, particularly if the plan now being mooted is by then it full operation, that her ser vices as a guarantee that moderation rules will be more necessary than ever. Will she tell us whether, should she find herself invited to speak on the same platform as Mr Ernest Roberts, Labour MP for Hackney North and Stoke Newington, she will be willing Newington, she was to do so, or if she is not that she will tell those who have her precisely why, invited her precisely why, rather than, say, pleading a prior engagement or a bout of flu?

You may ask—though Mrs Williams may not, for she already knows—why she williams may net, for she already knows—why she shouldn't speak alongside Mr Roberts, who is, after all, as much a member of the Labour Perty as she is. Well, if you do ask, I can answer. What Mr Roberts wants in this country and I can confidently claim know his mind because he has expressed it in print—is minumist society", achieved what is properly called the dictatorship of the prolecariat and "That is what . . . is mean when I use the expression workers control. For many years Mr Roberts, because of such views, was not allowed to stand as a Labour candidate indeed, he was actually refused endorsement as unsuitable by the NEC after being selected to fight a seat, and after that was even removed from the party hist of prospective parliament ary candidates. (In those day, the Labour Party would no the Labour Party would no endorse candidates who refer to the Soviet Empire as democracies "-M Roberts's phrase. Only when th NEC fell into the hands of th left, and the "proscribed list was abolished, was Mr Robert enabled to get into Parliamen as a Labour candidate.)

#### Delightful

Of course he is not the on one, nor was he in 1979; ye being called upon to sanctio as fellow-candidates people wit such views did not visibly audibly seem to worry Mi Williams, or Mr Callaghan, Mr Healey, or Mr Shore, or course Mr Hattersley and I Owen. (True, by a delightfu and Mrs Williams was defeated but that the voters of Hertfor and Stevenage have so delicate ings of retribution I am. 2/2 unable to believe.)

The dilemma I have de

berately posed for Mrs William

is of course the dilemma of the entire body of moderate an democratic Labour MPs an NEC members, and indeed to moderates throughout the party. And it seems, if the recent reports are to be believed, that they have chose their horn. They will twist an abovition and fudge and preten. shaffle and fudge and preten and deny and wink and go dum and go deaf and go blind; the will claim that there is on one Labour Party and that it i truly democratic throughout they will indignantly denounc as McCarthyism the kind o thing I have written today; the back to office if they can, and then hope for a miracle that will enable them to get them se'ves, even if not the country conduct has so hideously in creased. And if no such miracle befalls, they will retire an write their memours, and le others reap the barvest of from the dragon's teeth the

# Are some wild birds too well protected?



The interant perezrine

The survival of the peregrine falcon has brought rock climbers into conflict with hird watchers. Both peregrines and climbers have a penchant for steep cliffs and vertiginous ledges. As the number of peregrines grows and more climbers seek to explore inaccessible stretches of rock, the chance increases, it seems that a mountaineer will find himself pose to beak with a peregrine seeking the sanctuary

Two climbers in the Lake District were prosecuted for disturbing peregrines in their nest and elsewhere in Britain irrita-tion is growing between climbers and ornithologists. Both groups sense their interests are

Sea birds, 100, may cause a problem. The British Mountaineering Council has an agreement with the Nature Conservancy that climbing restrictions should he placed on seacliffs in parts of Anglesey, Swapage, Pem-brokeshire and at Berry Head.

logical groups are concerned at of guillemots, razorbills, kitti-wakes and fulmars. A request to close large parts of Baggy Point, north Devon, to climbers be-cause a pair of peregrines have nested there is being resisted by the BMC.

threatened by pesticides that made their eggs infertile but healthier numbers have led to healthier numbers have led to their appearance on previously untenanted crags. Rock climbers using the same cliff may, as is the Lake District case, find themselves reported and prosecuted for disturbing a protected bird. One Lake District climber complained: "There has to be some balance between the two interests. Otherwise the two interests. Otherwise large areas of climbing ground will be sterilized simply because a rare bird takes it into its head to nest there". In the past

Peregrines were once badly

in south Devon, during the Britain have risen from 50 to breeding season. Three ornitho- 440 pairs. But are the fears of some

experts reasonable? Mr Douglas Weir, the Scottish ornithologist who specialises in studying birds of prey, said that peregrines were really most rolerant of disturbance. Records over the past 40 years proved that. Peregrines once nested on the ledges of the St Regis Hotel, New York, until the New York police department moved them on with gunfire and by raiding

make the peregrines stand up high enough to count their eggs. On this question of tolerance, the reality is somewhat different to the attitudes that are being struck ". In Climber and Rambler, the

journal of the British Mountaineering Council, Mr Bill Birkett points out that the disturbed Lake District peregrines eventually produced young that fledged successfully. Rock climbers and wild birds, he said, had existed side by side for years and throughout Cumbria falcons had adapted amazingly well to having climbers clambering past their nests. One National Park war-den lest discreet notices below certain cliffs in the nesting period asking climbers to stay clear of certain routes so as not to disturb the birds. Usually

Climbers can be as interested in the birds nesting on chiffs and sensitive to their welfare as the ornithologists. There is no reason why both recreations should not go det's eyes; a punishment more together and climbers help to pungent than, anything meted protect these rare birds from nest unieves". Mr Dennis Gray, secretary of the RMC said. The council was advious that the

cooperation should continue but was wary of agreements that would either be totally ignored or put large areas of rock out of bounds. People gained a lot of pleasure from both past-On seacliffs the birds have

a way of expressing their own displeasure at being disturbed and are viciously incolerant of curious humans who appear clinging to their nesting ledges. Fulmers in particular are apt to take the law into their own crop. It is turwise to confront a fulmar chick eyebail, to eyebail. After a brief, imperious stare into the face that has middenly appeared in front of it, the fulmar will inflate to the size of a small football and spit an accurate stream of evilout by a magistrate.

# LONDON DIARY

#### Shipshape model on the beach

It is not every day that one can tell a story of inagination, skill and enterprise being re-warded. It all began, suitably enough when on January 23 The Times printed a superh photograph by Harry Kerr of the Creek cargo ship Athina R beached at Brighton with its load of pumice.

Galvanized by the photograph, Reggie Bosanouet, the former UN news reader, rang up an old painter friend. Liam Hanley, two of whose works he already possessed. Quoring a very handsome price, he commissioned Mr Hanley—who is 46, the son of the novelist James Henley, and works as a copy-taster at ITN—to paint the same scene for him.

Mr Hanley got up at 4 am next day, caught the first train fix it slightly inhibited by the thought of what Turner would have done with it, and did an oil sketch and some drawings the man who might pull the made four smallish oil paint- it came to grief ar the polls. ings back at home in Highgate, or at least be an admirable deterrent.

Reggie Bosanquet was de-lighted with his, and suggested a colour print should be made of it. But this, Mr Hanley was rold by experts, would take a long time by normal methods. So he tried the editor of *The* Brighton and Hove Gazette, Mr Edward Goring who rising splendidly to the occasion, said And so they did, producing a full colour print in eight days at their associated print divi-

Already, within a week, 2,000 of the 10.000 copies have been sold, at a modest £1.50 each, with a small royalty for the artist, and yesterday Mr Han-ley-with his benevolent patron Mr Bosanquet in attendance-presented a signed copy on behalf of the Gazette to Brighton's mayor, the former Labour MP, Mr Dennis Hobden.

## Pym'll

Foreign Secretary if the Tories

Allocated defence by the imperious headmistress, affable LYCOON Mr Pym made a slowish start. media were more interested in the demolition, or otherwise of his stately home than in his rebuilding or other-wise, of the country's defences. The MoD hierarchy, at first pleased that he had more clout diate predecessors, was soon disappointed by his apparent difficulty in absorbing complex briefs. They tended, inevitably,

to compare his performance with those of heavyweights like Denis Healey, Lord Carrington, and perhaps with former Nato ministers like Messrs Schimdt and Schlesinger (that master of Pentagonese, who I once heard say: "We must not let the adversary have even the perception of a low-risk option"). It is good to learn that Mr Pym is considered to be show ng a steady improvement. He is diligent and popular in class, and has a good chance to shine towards the end of term: he is off to China in a fortnight, hurries back for the bumper Defence White Paper on April 2-and is meanwhile preparing the spot. From these he Conservative Parry together if to go critical over a decision

# Cultural

In these days when the mogula of both capital and labour are so gloomy, it is cheering to meet a tycoon whose entre-preneurial adrenalin is in full

Naim Attallah, born 48 years ago in Haifa, is sometimes assumed to be an oil sheikh. But his success as a businessman-in publishing films and iewels-comes from energy of the human rather than petrodollar variety.

When I went to see him at is new headquarters in Poland Street. W1 he was rubbing his hands with delight over a wonderful enlarged photograph of Harold Macmillan holding a copy of George Rutchinson's book The Last Edwardian at No 10, published by his imprior Quartet Broks. Equally, he was delighted at the recent dismis-sal of criminal libel charges

For some strange reason I yes. terday made the Hungarians scem more cheerful than they me. It is pessionals they define as well-informed optimists, not

#### against Johnny Go Home, pub. Time is needed. He himself is Apart from publishing hard-

back and peperback books under four imptints (Quartet, Women's Press, Namara Publications and Robin Clark), Attallah is belying to keep his addressals flowing by producing adrenain flowing by producing a film about Ibn Saud- the only man in our century to have founded a kingdom with a sword, he says—and helping to save the jewellers Aspreys, on whose main board he sits, on whose main board he sits, from the embrace of Alfred Dishtill, itself controlled by the tobacco combine Rothmana loternational. They now have 29.9 per cent of the shares, he

Attallah's father was chief Attallah's father was chief cashier of Barclay's Bank in Haifa. They came to know the knock on the door at 5 am from British troops searching houses, not always gently. He came to London 30 years ago to study engineering, but when funds were cut off, worked variously as labourer, steeplejack and foreign exchange dealer before setting up his dealer before setting up his own company in 1972.

Naim Actallah feels the Arab image has suffered in the west because of all that wealth rather as did the Americans after the second world war, scems, never goes berself.

a great believer in culture as a means of gaining sympathy.

#### Right royal send-off

It would be pretty surprising if Prince Charles or the Duke of Edinburgh did not represent the Queen when the independent state of Zimbabwe is finally born. The precedents in the both. The precedents in the larger countries of black Africa so far have been; Ghana 1957, the Duchess of Kent; Nigeria 1960, Princess Alexandra; Tanzania 1961. Prince Philip Uganda 1962, the Duke and Duchess of Kent; and Kenya 1962. Philips Duling Philips 1963, Priace Philip.

I am reliably told that when the Union Jack was lowered in Nairobi, Prince Philip observed to. President Kenyatta: "Are you sure you won't change your mind?" Much laughter greeted this rowal sally. this royal sally.

Given that Nigeria is the most populous country in black Africa, and in 1960 rated "only" Princess Alexandra, the choice of representatives suggests a dawning appreciation of their continent's ever-growing importance. But the Queen, it seems, never goes berself.

women's colleges holding their oun: Melinda Libby and Kathryn Shaw, both of Girton College, Cambridge, were yesterday elected President of the Union and chairman of the 1,000strong university Conservative association respectively.

#### Tricycle on stage ·

Are plays in West End theatres good enough to make one en-dure the hassle of a Tube trip or trying to park nearby? Conronted by the sea of mediocrity which seems to be management's answer to rising costs, the answer must all too often be. No.

How much pleasanter, in many ways, to visit your friendly neighbourhood theatre, even if standards are less polished. So it is good news that an old music and dance hall in Kilburn High Road, until recently serving as Brent council's rent office, is being converted back into the headquarters of the dreadfully named but apparently rather

good Wakefield Tricycle Con It is good to see the old

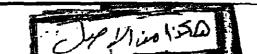
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ing Britain since 1974 with the help of an Arts Council grant worth £32,000 last year, doing mainly new plays, some commissioned, each being cast separately. The conversion is costing £130,000, of which £91,000 has been raised, Erent thanks a separately strength of the converse to t having generously stumped of £50,000.

With kuck the company with most me contains, new, 200-seat permanent home will open in September. Six productions are planned for the first year, and touring will be reduced to 16 weeks. There will also be children's show, latenight music and, of course, a her a bar.

Unappetising prospect indeed: about 7,000 tins of rationsenough to support 10 men for six months—stored since 1968 in a fallout shelter beneath Gloucester telephone exchange have been found to have gone oif and are being destroyed. Just another reason to avoid a nuclear war perhaps.

Roger Berthoud



# R MUGABE BROADENS HIS BASE

realistic and conciliatory se which Mr Mugabe has Nkala, who may not be experied in his statements as e minister-designate is fully cted in the cabinet which he osed vesterday to Lord ies. The most important intenent, reached after much hargaining, is that of Mr no to home affairs, which him in control of the British h Africa Police, a fradicional for a force that he will ly re-name and has already sunced his intention of dearizing. The brief glimpse of. British bobby unarmed on heat will perhaps make this ige easier: the BSAP has itions of humanity and incy which should be con-Home affairs, however, gives Mr Nkomo, and by vation the Ndebele people, power in the reconstruction he countryside and the raisof the status of the African ivator, indeed of the African ker and citizen generally. n reassure the white com-tity Mr Mugabe has acted a plomb in giving responsiv for commerce and industry ir David Smith and for agriure to Mi Norman. Mr man's job will be above all msure that the productivity exporting potential of the

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Ian Smith and Bishop

Finance has gone to Mr Enos enced, but is known as a man of intellectual grasp and acumen. Naturally, most portfolios have gone to Mr Mugabe's and Mr Nkomo's main lieutenants, and they will have to rely heavily on their white officials too. This is how all newly Africanized goveroments have operated for the first year and more, both francophone and anglophone; but Zimbabwe, thanks to the local university, to its considerable wealth, and to white example, possesses a far larger reservoir of graduates than most black states. This ought to be reflected in the effectiveness of Mr Mugabe's government, which can be truly called a national and inter-racial administration fitted

to tackle the immediate task. Mr Mugabe is keeping for himself defence, with the all-important problem of amalgamating the previously hostile armies into a single army—a possible source of future instability. The deputy prime minister and foreign affairs minister is his previous deputy, who will now have to develop those hints of a conciliatory foreign policy which Mr Mugabe has thrown out. He has already dealt yery shrewdly with South Africa by enunciating a policy of normal friendly relations; and noninterference which in no way detracts from Zimbabwe's moral opposition to apartheid. That opposition will in due course produce diplomatic developments in matters such as black refugees from South Africa's police state and its draconian anti-terrorist laws. That is to come, but meanwhile Mr Mugabe's very moderation will deepen South Africa's internal debate and maybe strengthen the voice of its

verlichtes. Mr Mugahe's readiness to widen contacts is shown in his proposal that Zimbabwe should enter the Commonwealth; it must be expected that he will. balance any links with Britain and the West with gestures to the revolutionary half of the world.

It is a fair beginning, but it must be repeated that these are early days. It is significant that no prominent leader seems to want the figurehead job of president. Though there were reasons for adopting it at Lancaster House, the cabinet system that Mr Mugabe is to head is not very congenial to the African spirit. The pressure to convert it to an executive presidency will grow, even though this will produce tensions. But at the moment it allows every part of the community to have a voice of some force at the centre, which is comforting in the transition; period when detailed policies have yet to be worked out.

Lord Soames's mission is thus nearly complete. Independence day has to be settled, and the extent to which Mr Mugabe's sense of the suitable in the handing-over ceremonies can be met has to be decided. Looking back at Britain's record, interspersed with so much humiliation and loss in the UDI period, one's instinct is to opt for simplicity! Rhodesia was never British administered in the sense that other colonies were. Yet the Africans have had their way: a transition following an independence conference and new constitution as though Britain had all along possessed a real sovereignty and power. In fact an honourable act of mediation is now coming to an end in an unexpectedly calm political climate.

#### HE AUDITOR GENERAL'S DUTIES

most interesting feature the Green Paper on the role he Comptroller and Auditor eral is the recommendation t it does not make. It is tomary to hold up him and Exchequer and Audit Departit as the one satisfactory mple of how a select committhe House of Commons be served. To a large ent that is fair, even though - denartment does suffer from te lack of expertise in par-ilar fields. The Public counts Committee has bened immensely from the diliinvestigations conducted ou

or many years the Compller and Auditor General has confined himself to a finan-! audit in the narrow sense, ng concerned not only that nev should have been spent operly but also that it should been spent efficiently. a Green Paper confirms that s kind of efficiency audit. huld continue. It also suggests it in appropriate cases he. nuld investigate the effectivess of programmes and proin meeting established ticy goals. That is in line withway in which the PAC hasen developing its role, and it isi phylously make sense for n and his department to match or operations to its purposes.

But the Green Paper specifically excludes policy questions from his remit: "The C and AG should not get involved in debate about the merits of particular policy objectives, as distinct from the efficiency or costeffectiveness of measures designed to pursue them". So long as he is serving only the PAC that must be right. The PAC's rask is an auditing function, even if the word audit may reasonably be interpreted quite broadly. Policy considerations are the job of the new range of departmental select committees. But should the C and AG be required to examine policy with a view to serving all

these committees? That would be a very radical change. The Exchequer and Audit Department would have to be expanded so that it would progressively become something like a counter Civil Service at the disposal of Parliament, though with nothing like the size of the Civil Service itself. For the moment it would be unwise to move at all in that direction. This is not the time, when the Government is rightly seeking all possible public expenditure cuts and is reducing the central hureaucracy, to develop a new parliamentary bureaucracy. The departmental select committees are only beginning their work, and it would be sensible to allow

some time to pass before judging whether the present ad hoc arrangements, whereby each committee chooses its own specialist advisers, are satisfac-

In principle there is a great dea! to be said for this kind of flexibility. But its success does depend, among other things, upon a sufficient number of people with the necessary expertise being prepared to devote enough time to the task. That would present less of a difficulty, there were stronger private think tanks" in Britain, with larger resources, which could second precisely the right kind of person for this work. It may be that the somewhat rigid career patterns in Britain present too great an obstacle to such an informal procedure. In that case, attention ought to be given at some stage to building up a corps of parliamentary advisers, who would devote themselves full time to this work. Such a service would naturally be larger than the present Exchequer and Audit Department and could therefore offer a proper career structure, which would be important for attracting recruits of the right calibre. The worst of all worlds would be to allow the new committees to founder indefinitely for lack of an adequate range of advice.

#### IEETING OF MINDS IN KUALA LUMPUR

st week's meeting in Kuala impur between the European mmunity and the Association South-east Asian nations (SEAN) had no difficulty in iding matters of common conrn to chew over and generally agree upon. Kampuchea is ider a Vieinamese occupying rce that shows no signs of thdrawing this is intolerable all principles of independent vereignry and remains a threat the region so long as it lasts. esides, an already acute refugee oblem has now acquired ingerous military overtones. and Carrington, Herr Genscher d their colleagues from the gropean community could say most the same of the threat ar faced them from the Soviet vasion of Afghanistan. In the ent both sides found they could adily support the other in callof for a withdrawal of foreign pops in each country.

Common to both crises is the ussian presence and some tive ally of the Vietnamese in dochina. But ASEAN, though ateful for a better European nderstanding of its problem, nnot hope to solve Kamichea's future by the means oposed by the Europeans for ghanistan. Nobody bas been le to suggest how a neutral

Kampuchea could be conjured up from the tragic confusion of that country. ASEAN feels it can only support the Pol Pot government on principle (if it still deserves the name: are the Khmer Rouges credible as the reformed characters that they are now presenting themselves in be?). Certainly the Heng Samrin government has no more independent existence in Phnom Penh than the Babrak Karmal one has in Kabul. Furthermore, ASEAN is only too conscious that the Soviet backing for the Vietnamese is part of the larger struggle with China and that is most definitely a conflict that they want to keep out of.

In the past few years this has needed some nimble footwork. No. ASEAN is not a military alliance and will not become one. is one agreed position. Another is that if ASEAN and China take the same view of Kampuchea that means that they share a belief in non-interference with independent countries; it cannot be construed as an alignment with China in its confrontation with Soviet power. But now that ASEAN has been reassured that its particular regional problem is better understood, its members can also take comfort from the evidence that the Russian involvement in Afghanistan has noticeably lessened the pressure that they face in Indochina. The aid flows less freely to Vietnam; the political priorities are somewhat downgraded; the prospect of Soviet naval bases in Vietnam recedes; and in consequence Vietnam's view of her ASEAN neighbours is becoming more

cooperative.

ASEAN's continuing difficulty relations with the big powers. There is still a major American presence in the Philippines and that is generally accepted as desirable. China's interest in the region cannot be ignored; even the Indonesians are now belatedly reconsidering their long-severed relations with Peking. As for the Russians, who may be low in the popularity rating, with them too ASEAN needs and wants equable rela-All the same, talking things over with the Nine, whose weight is not at all concentrated. can be rewarding; there is no pressure there. Perhaps Mr Huang Hua, China's Foreign Minister, who arrived vesterday in Manila on an ASEAN tour that will take him to Kuala Lumpur and Singapore will draw more on quiet Taoist principles in keeping relations sweet between Peking and the ASEAN powers.

#### ind of Rome scholarship rom Mr Paul de Monchaux

r. Professor de Francia (March 4) right; the withdrawal of the one Scholarships will cause conernation to all concerned with se future of art in this country ". The Rome scholars form the key ement of a lively and educationally aique community of artists, archicts, archaeologists and classical holars who live and work together

the British School at Rome. The Royal Commissioners for the xhibizion of 1851 founded the holarships and have supported rem for 70 years. The funds ingived are by now only a small

fraction of the total running costs of the school, yet are crucial to its survival as an internationally respected centre of excellence."

Scholars bave been chosen annually from among the most able graduates of British schools of art and architecture. The unpaid faculues responsible for the selection of scholars provide them with advice and support during their tenures and with an invaluable network of contacts during their subsequent carpers. All this will end with the

withdrawal of the scholarships. The damage done will be quite disproportionate to the relatively small sum of money involved. The 1851 Commissioners are understood.

to believe that this money would be better spent on studies more directly linked to applied design. Such studies are important and should be supported, but it is quite wrong to do so at the expense of the equally important studies in fine art and architecture that have been very successfully established and maintained for many years at the British School at Rome.

Yours sincerely. PAUL de MONCRAUX. Chairman of the Faculty of Sculpture.
The British School at Rome. c'n Camberwell School of Art Pockham Road, SE3. ....

#### BBC cuts in music services

From the Chairman, Broadcasting Council for Scotland

Sir, Your distinguished correspondents have been rightly shocked by the proposal to disband the BEC Scottish Symphony Orchestra. It is a fine orchestra, and it has provided all the things which have been mentioned: a training ground for musicians, a platform for Scottish composers, a pool of teachers for the Royal Scottish Academy of Music and Drama and an organization free of box-office pressures.

Nevertheless, the harsh fact is that Scotland is no more immune than the rest of the United Kingdom to the realities of the BBC's present financial position. For a long time the EBC, here as elsewhere, has been providing a first class service at second class rates : five radio and rwo television networks for unde 10p per day per household. At 12p we could have continued all our former services and also provided money for development. But we did not get a licence fee of 12p per day; and since we have no res we must now cut our costs to Scot-land by 7 per cent.

and by / per cent.

Our prime responsibility is to get programmes to audiences. We dare not lose sight of that duty. We cannot make religious, agricultural, Gaelic, drama or news and current affairs programmes without pro-ducers, designers, editors and cameramen. But we can provide symphonic music without having a house symphony orchestra, a large proportion of the costs of which has thing to do with broadcasting as

If we keep the SSO, we shall have to reduce posts elsewhere by at least an equal number, with an infinitely an equal number, the more damaging effect on our capa-city, and duty, to produce pro-duce produce produce also grammes damage extending also to the actors, writers, composers and dissicians who are an integral part of these programmes. And this would be in addition to the more

would be in addition to the more than sixty administrative and support posts which we are in any case being forced to lose.

As Annan said: "We cannot see why musicians alone should be given a guarantee of secure and continued employment when other artists, represented by other unions, ran face the possibility of being can face the possibility of being laid off. The BBC must feel able to make cuts where it judges they will least affect its programmes . . . We would not wish to see a pational orchestra in Scotland or Wales abandoned. But we would like to see the present rigid demar-cation abolished between the BBC's orchestras and those orchestras which are assisted by the Arts Council". I am happy to note that in Wales the Arts Council have already given a lead by jointly funding the BBC Welsh Symphony Orthestra.

The Broadcasting Council for Scriland does not wish to see the SSO abandoned either—let alone disbanded. Indeed, we believe it can be saved, and very much hope will be. We are prepared to work strenuously with others to that end. The only purpose of our proposal is to moduce the cut in costs which has been forced on us by too low a licence fee. When the BBC was comparatively affluent in the thirties carry the major burden of musical patronage in this country; and it was proud to do so. Now, however, we can no longer afford to, and we are therefore seeking the help of others. As Lord McCluskey pointed our ten days ago, the orchestra could be regarded that just as a BBC organization but as a Scottish broadcasting resource; he added television stations serving Scotland and two commercial radio stations who between them made a very

large profit.
Patrick Ramsay, Controller, BBC Scotland, explained last week that the SSO is, alas, not the only orchestra, nor the BBC the only patron of music in Scotland, facing stormy financial weather.

"Is it possible", he asked. "that

out of this crisis might come new ideas and more security for those who make their living by and through music?" Will those who have expressed their dismay at the possible loss of the SSO a dismay possible loss of the SSO. a dismay which the Broadcasting Council for Scotlarid feels as keenly as they come forward to help the BBC provide the financial support it can no longer provide on its own, not only so as to rescue the SSO, but also 10 fide Scottish music in general lover the lean years? I feet eral over the lean years? If not as Patrick Ramsay ruefully pointed out. "one has to wonder whether Scorland is in fact prepared to sunport all the orchestras now playing I am. Sir.

Yours. DR ROGER YOUNG. Broadcasting House. Queen Margaret Drive, March 10.

#### Transport in London From Mr Sherlaw Johnson

Sir, While heartly endorsing Mr Simons's comparison (March 8) of the London and Paris transport systems, I must correct him on one point-the Parisian is not the cheapest city transport system in Europe, As far as I am aware, East Berlin is probably the cheapest with a fare of 20pf (approximately 5p) on both buses and trains. In addition, fares have not risen since I first went there in 1977. Yours faithfully,

r. sherlaw johnson. Malton Croft, Woodlands Rise, Stonesfield, Oxon.

#### Views of industry

D. C. DAMANT.

16 Orchard Street.

From Mr D. C. Damant Sir, Professor Husband's view (March 7) of the low priority given to industry is supported by the long article in your issue of March 3 in which Caroline Moorehead speculates on the names of the top people in this country in the 1980s. Industry and commerce were not mentioned. Yours faithfully,

## Lessons from Zimbabwe elections

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Ireland?

I am. Sir.

Rhodesia.

From the Bishop of Mashonaland Sir, Lord Soames, the Common-wealth Monitoring Force, and all others concerned have done a superb piece of work in Zimbabwe. But it was undertaken because during the last few months, in Lusaka and at Lancaster House, the British Government had decided that peace at any price must be the answer to the dreadful war in this country. The African people of Zimbabwe reached the same conclusion, so that in effect the country was handed to those trying to take it by force, who had made it abundantly clear that murder and destruction would continue unless this were done. Africans could not forget the untold thousands of their own people brutally killed (together with 44 European missionaries and their families, and over two hundred white farmers and their families).

They had suffered from both sides in the war beyond endurance So, as always in Africa, where individual opinion means nothing, the belief went across the country like a bush fire that only appearement could peace appeasement could peace be restored. The Shona are pragmatists and very timid: there was no problem in switching from: Muzorewa to Mugabe, within a 10-month period, when the signs were en ominous. Thus, last month we had a free poll but an unfair election. So keen were the people to give in to mass intimidation of this kind that, in the most vital province, 112 per cent of the assessed voters turned out, including an unknown number of children who were carely

asked for credentials.
Suppose that in England 22,000.

Christians in Africa

From the Right Reverend Dr J. A. T. Robinson Sir. Mr Botha is to be congratulated in responding so promptly and positively to the lessons for his country from the events of Zimbabive if, as he is reported, he is really calling a multi-racial conference and urging the necessity even now of a "Christian" settle-

ment. From the experience of two visits to South Africa may I presume to suggest two conditions for its success ?

1. That those Christians who are most active in working for non-violent if radical solutions should be backed rather than blocked. In particular that Byers Naudé, David Russell and Desmond Tutu, whom I, like all who know them, can wouch to be men of peace and reconcilia-tion, should be released from banning, imprisonment and passport restriction rather than subjected to

constant fresh humiliation. As I went round South Africa and indeed Israel afterwards the words of John F. Kennedy kept beauting me: "It is those who make the peaceful revolution impossible who make the violent revolution inevit-

camps and in touch with another 5000 of their fellows who were living among the civilian population. Would the English people, with not a gun between them, hold out against handing over Northern

This is a fair analogy of what has

just happened here. Moreover every

one of the weapons used by the Zimbahwe National Liberation Army

and the Zimbabwe People's Revolu-

tionary Army were donated by Marxist countries which also trained

the men that used them. The result

was predictable, but there now exists

a pro-Marxist bloc from coast to coast across Africa, so that the Cape

sea routes are already untenable by

It is likely that the sheer economic success of Zimbahwe, the good race relations which have always existed and the comparable chaos

in most other independent African

countries, will turn Muzabe into a free enterprise capitalist from hav-

ing been an arowed Marxist. He is already very wealthy and is a gitted and scholarly man. Or will it be that

having sown the wind of appearsment to the Soviets, one day the whirtwind must be reaped?

† PAUL MASHONALAND.

Diocesan Office, PO Box UA7.

Paget House.

Union Avenue,

the West in time of war.

That the various groupings at the conference should be represented by those whom they choose. In par-ticular that Nelson Mandela and other natural leaders at pre Robben Island should be allowed to speak for those who look to them. One of the lessons of Rhodesia is surely that blacks whom whites put up are certain to be disowned and that blacks who are reduced to violence when all other paths to reform are closed are by no means necessarily men of war if the doors are opco.

Yours faithfully. JOHN A. T. ROBINSON. Trinkry College. March 10.

#### London medical schools From Professor M. W. Greaves

Sir, It is understandable that some of the more dramatic recommendations of the Flowers report, notably closure of Westminster Medical School, should have received wide publicity. However, the proposed abolition of the smaller specialist postgraduate medical schools is of much more sinister significance, because their unique choical and

irreplaceable.

The report advocates that the Institute of Dermatology be re-located, in a greatly reduced form, to St George's Medical School, Tooting, and that it "cease to exist as a separate entity". The lustitute, and its Hospital, with their unrivalled facilities, fulfil an ever-expanding role as a national and international centre for diagnosis, investigation and treatment of difficult skin problems. In particular techniques and expertise for eluci-dation of industrial dermaticis, photodermetitis and skin infectious are not available anymbere else.

The Institute of Dermatology is the only major multi-disciplinary centre engaged in dermatological re-search in Britain. Its high academic status in research can be gauged from the fact that over one third o its total annual income is derived from research awards, mainly from the Medical Research Council, the Wellcome Trust and the Dunbill Trust. The magnitude of the

economic and social burden of skin disease is only now becoming recognised, but the number of unfilled vacancies for consultant dermamlogists rises year by year.

Nearly all teaching hospital con sultant dermatologists receive a major part of their training at the Institute through attendance at chinical demonstrations, seminars and lectures: These roles are obviously dependent upon easy accessibility in a central location, more particularly since dermatology is essentially an out-natient speciality, a fact that the Committee has an parently overlooked.

The Flowers Committee's proposals, based as they appear to be, on administrative expediency with out regard for academic or clinical excellence or for the needs of patients, are unsatisfactory. The Institute of Dermatology has never been averse to relocation; clearly, its present situation in which it is sited in two widely separated regions of London is unacceptable. But any relocation must be in a central site. The Flowers proposals for redeployment of undergraduate teaching hospital resources within the central London area provide ample scope for an acceptable solu-tion which will meet our special requirements.

Yours faithfully, MALCOLM W. GREAVES. The Institute of Dermatology, Homerton Grove, E9. March 3.

#### Civil defence precautions From General Sir Walter Walker

Sir. I have followed with interest the articles and letters that have appeared recently in your news-paper on the need for an up-to-date form of Civil Defence. What seems to be overlooked, however, is that it will not take a nuclear strike to inflict severe casualties and destruction on this country. A conven-tional strike is now the most likely

The Soviets now have long-range aircraft such as the TU-22 Backfire bomber which are capable of launching air-to-surface stand-off conventional missiles of devastatme lethelity and destruction, and with such proporat accuracy and precision that the Home Office, for instance, could be picked out from

the Ministry of Defence.

Because of our strategic location visa vis the North Sea and Adaptic and the very large numbers of reinforcements of aircraft, men and supplies that will be passing through this country, we are now the Soviets' No 1 target. The sir defence, maritime defence

and civil defence of the Home Base are hopelessly inadequate. As a

start we should plan to make use of underground car parks and simi-lar facilities which were not available in such quantity in World War II. and we must resurtect a modern

For the modest sum of £20,000 per county we could raise an altrolunteer CD and thus show our resolution and will to defend ourselves. Volunteers would flock to selves. Volumte

As for a nuclear attack, it would not necessarily be such as to reduce the whole of Britain to ashes. The Russians have acquired small yield weapons and accurate delivery systems which can take out targets such as airfields and dock facilities without destroying the entire countryside surrounding them. Many people in Britain would survive such attacks and many more would be saved by the creation of a civil defence plan to help those in the most likely target areas on the lines that I have suggested. Yours faithfully.

WALTER WALKER. Charlton House, Charlton All Saints, Salisbury. Wiltshire. March 7.

A foreign field From Mr Theon Wilkinson

Sir. The question posed by Thurstan Shaw (February 28) about the future of neglected British graves in Nigeria and elsewhere in our former imperial territories, calls for an answer. The subject has been frequently raised in your correspondence columns over the past few years—from Italy, Cyprus, the Middle East and India—and in a letter three years ago I invited support for an association to preserve historical cemeteries, convert information on monumental inscripnons in Asia.

As a result of an enthusiastic response, the British Association for Cemeteries in South Asia was formed, registered as a charity and has now expanded to over 300

members with local branches and helpers on project work. A major achievement has been the extensive restoration of The Great Burial

Ground", as the South Park Street Cornetery in Calcutta was called. Other projects have been underraken in Pakistan, Bangladesh, Bihar, Assam, Coorg, etc., whilst records are being built up cemetery by cemetery, with photographs and biographical details and publica-

tions where appropriate,
Perhaps there is a need for a similar Africa ? organization COVERING Yours faithfully, THEON WILKINSON,

Honorary Secretary, British Association for Cemeteries in South Asia. 76! Charifield Avenue. Putney, SW15. March 7. ...

#### A soldier's view heavily armed IRA terrorists were encamped at 14 points round the country, moving in and out of the

of the Army
From Field Marshal Lord Harding of Petherton Sir, May I claim the courtesy of your columns to make the strongest possible protest against the travesty of the character of the British soldier as presented in the subver-

sive programme on BBC 2 last night (March 9) entitled Gone for a No reference was made to the courage and endurance, the sacrifice and good comradeship, or the goodhumoured forbearance in the face of severe provocation displayed by British troops in many campaigns in all parts of the world over the past 300 years or more, nor to mention

their most recent successful com-pletion of a particularly difficult and potentially dangerous task in If the insplied criticism was of the causes for which they fought and died, it was directed against the wrong target. I suggest that those responsible for the production of this programme would do well to reflect on the difference there would be in their lives today if British soldiers had not been pre-pared to face the horrors, dangers

pared to tace the horrors, dangers and hardships of war rather than submit us all to the tyrannies of the Kaiser and his Prussians or. Hider and his Nazis.

As for the situation we face today I quote, I hope correctly, a sentence from the writings of the "War is a fearful thing but nor so fearful that we should submit to anything to avoid it".

Yours indignantly, HARDING OF PETHERTON, The Barton, Nether Compton, Sherborne, Dorset. March 10.

#### Channel tunnel

From Mr A. V. Hooker Sir. In your leader today, you rightly draw attention to the bene-fits of a single-tube, rail-only Channel tunnel including relief to Heathrow and Gatwick

Such a tunnel, by moviding the vital link in a "land bridge" from the Bristol Channel to France and beyond, could also help the stimulate trade in the Severo estuary ports and thereby relieve congestion in the English Channel. More than 10 years have elapsed since Severnside was designated one of three outstanding sites in the United Kingdom for a Maritime Industrial Development Area (MIDA) but the opportunities have

not yet been seized An inter-model freight complex is only one of many proposals which have been put forward for the Severn estuary and a serious evaluation is now needed. A longevaluation is now needed. A management plan, implemented in manage able stages, would do much to provide a focal point for the major new industries which are urgent; needed to supplement a much reduced steel industry.

Yours faithfully, A. V. HOOKER, 240 Cyncoed Road, Cardiff.

#### Faise criteria

From Mr Roy Clapp Sir. Mr Frank Milner talarch 73 not over-cautious when he states that preparatory drawings by Titian-had no commercial value between 1515 and 1525.

Titian's friend, the writer Pictro Aretino, would not have agreed with Mr Milner. For example, in January, 1538, Aretino wrote to Michelangelo and "craved one ofthose drawings you toss carclessly into the fire

Has Mr Milner never seen examples of the drawings collected by Vasari during the mid-sixteenth century in his "Libro di disegni" In the course of study I have

made many copies of drawings in print rooms though always in my come "handwriting". The intention to deceive is present when the "handwriting" of the original is slavishly copied as in the "Titians". Yours sincerely. ROY CLAPP. Marble carver, Shenstone. Over Kellet. Lancashire. March 7.

#### Afghanistan status

From the Reverend Projessor G. D. Kilpatrick .

Sir, You are right in your leading article of March 3 to have missing ings about the proposal that Afghanistan should be declared neutral by international agreement. Cannot Afghanistan be declared a ward of the United Nations for a limited period? This could furnish a basis for negotiations and provide for the Afghans themselves to de-termine the status of their country when the wardship clapsed. Yours faithfully, G. D. KILPATRICK, 27 Lathbury Road. Oxford. March S.

#### Brutality to dolphins

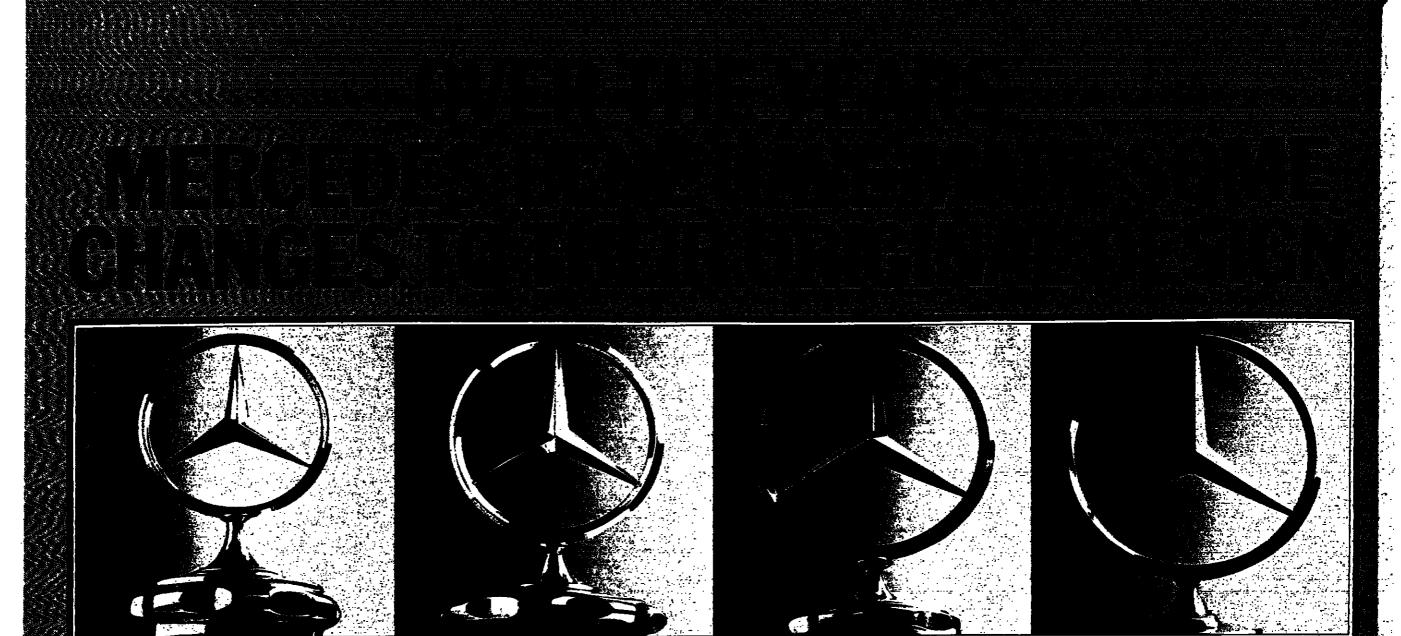
From Miss Mary Jelley Sir. As this mass murder of doiphins is considered "customar" in Japan, should it not also be cutomary to kill such highly intelligent friends of man by less barbaric methods? Yours truly,

MARY E. JELLEY. The Shepherd's Cottege, Chute, near Andover. March 8.

#### Hand to hand

March 5. ..

From Miss Margaret Pridequa Sir, As a child I had to 2 with Georgina Hogarth, Dickens's storin-law, who kept house for him an his later years. I am 75. Is this a handshake? Yours obedient servant, MARGARET PRIDEAUX. 80 Princes Gate Mews, SW7.



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#### ·· COURT CIRCULAR

CKINGHAM PALACE: ch 11 The Queen held an estime at Buckingham Palace

morning.
he. Right Hon Margaretrcher, MP (Prime Minister and
it Lord of the Treasury) had audience of Her Majesty this

ning.
he Duke of Edinburgh, as an locary Member, bus morning ned a Conference on the Arctic an at the Royal Geographical lety, Kensington Gore, SW7, re His Royal Highness was lived by the President of the large (the Lord Hunt). ety (the Lord Hunt) jng Commander Antony tolson was in attendance.

to the Central Council of skal Recreation, this afternoon ned and foured the British rus Bathishon at the Stock hange and was received upon val by the Right Hon the Lord on the Paris Cadedon of the Paris Cadedon on the Paris Cadedon on the Paris Cadedon of the val by the Right Hon the Lord for (Sit Peter Gadsden) and Departy Challman of the Stock hange (Mr G. M. Nissen). it Royal Highness this evening miled a dinner in aid of the ai Free Hospital and School of licine Appeal Trust (Chairman, J. Astaire) at the Sevoy Hotel. ord Rupert Nevill was in ndence.

indence.

the Prince of Wales, Colonel in
ft, The Parachute Regiment,
morning at Buckingham Palace
sived Lieutehant-Colonel J. A.
upon his relinquishing comind of the 10th Battalion and
stenam-Colonel F. E. W. tin upon assuming command.
is Royal Highness visited the
inet Office, Whitehall.

he Prince of Wales, as Presi-t, attended a Reception for The y Rose Trust which was held if James's Palace this evening, he Hourkdward Adeane was in irs John Dugdale has succeeded Lady Susan Hussey as Lady-in-ling to The Queen.

RENCE HOUSE ch 11. Miss Bridget Conroy the honour of being received Queen Elizabeth The Queen ther this morning when Her esty, on behalf of The Queen, orated her with the Royal torian Medal (Silver), he Lady Jean Rankin has sucted Mrs Patrick Campbellton as Lady-in-Wairing to Heresty.

rthdays today

Edward Albee, 52; Sir Eric wood, 70; Professor Sir Wil-12ley, 51; The Hon Roland le. MP, 52; Mr. Paszick ktor, 44; Sir Leomand Wilson, Miss Googie Withers, 63.

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infant daughter of Mr and David Trehame Morgan was stened Claire Susan Trehame it Columba's Church, SW1, on day, March 2: The godparents
Mr Adrian de Segundo, the
Mrs Mark Jennings and Mrs
any Pragnell.



Imperial Society of Knights Bachelor: At a council meeting in Westminster yesterday were (standing, left to right) Sir Eric Cheadle, Lord Fraser of Kilmorack, Mr A. Colin Cole, Sir

William Harris, Sir Roger Falk, Sir John Tilney and (sitting) Sir Anthony Lewis, Sir Amar Maini, Sir Rex Niven, Sir Arthur Driver, Sir Gilbert Inglefield, Mrs E. Reid, Sir John Howard

honour at a discussion dinner held at the United Oxford and Cam-bridge University Club last night. Mr John Posford, chairman, and Mrs Posford received the guests. British Constructional Steelwork Association

Mr John Nott, Secretary of State

for Trade, was guest speaker at the third national dinner of the British Constructional Steelwork

British Constructional Steelwork Association held at the Savoy Hotel last night. Other speakers were Sir Charles Villiers, chair-man of the British Steel Corpora-

tion, and Mr Brian Farmer, presi-dent of the association.

and Sir Bernard Waley-Cohen. One of the society's responsibilities is to maintain the register of the Orders of Knighthood, which has a history dating back to 1257.

Service

Reception

London Enterprise Agency

Mr James Prior, Secretary of State for Employment, was the guest of bonour at a reception given by

Service dinner

Naval Weapons Engineering

The annual dinner of the Naval Weapons Engineering Service was held at Bath University yesterday. The principal speaker was Major-General H. Macdonald-Smith and

Luncheons ...

House.

Ministers at the Embassy of Janas, Str. John Reswick, Sir John Pilcher, Mr. N. Wolfers, Dr. L. Smith, Dr. O. Lupey, Mr. B. Thorne, Mr. N. Rosenthal, Mr. J. Konatsy, and Mr. N. Amoniya.

Royal College of Surgeons of England
Sir Rapinald Manda HM Government Luncheon Lord Carrington, Secretary of State for Foreign and Common-wealth Affairs, was host yesterday at a luncheon held in honour of M Benri Sinoner, Beigian Minister for Foreign Affairs, at 1 Carlton Gardens. The other guests luncheon at the college Sir Leslie Smith, Mr Paul Bosonnet, Mr Howard G. Hanley and Professor J. P. Payne.

were: The Belgian Ambussador M Frans
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Roelans M Alfred Caben M Andre
Adam: M Nestor Corts Et Domate
Mattiand, Sir Peter Wakeheld, Mr M.
Franklin, Mr D. H. A. Hanney and
Mr Paul Lever. HM Government Lord Trefgarne was nost at a luncheon held yesterday in honour of Trustees of the Egyptian Broad-casting Federation, at Lancaster

Poreign and Commonwealth Office Mr H. A. H. Cortazzi, Deputy Under Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs, was host yesterday at a luncheon held at Rules Restaurant in honour of Mr H. Murata, executive director of the Japan Foundation. Among the guests were:

Mr S. Kadota and Mr Y. Halano.

**Dinners** United Oxford and Cambridge University Cub

Mr J. M. D. Jauncey and Miss C. E. Ede Forthcoming

marrages

The engagement is announced be-tween James Malise Dundas, eldest son of Lord Jauncey and Mr. W. M. Herries, Yr. of Spottes and Miss A. J. D. McIlwain
The engagement is announced between William Michael, elder son of Sir Michael and Lady Herries, of Spottes, Castle Douglas, Scotland, and Amanda Iane Deirdre, eldest daughter of Mrs. Clare McIlwain, of 14 Chipsiead Street, London, SW6, and Lady Polwarth, and Caroline Elizabeth, daughter of Mr and Mrs Charles Ede.

Press Club

Mr L. Jennings and Miss M. M. Duggan and Miss in. M. Diggan
The engagement is announced
between Luke, eldest son of Mr
and Mrs M. Jennings, of Powys,
Wales, and Michelle, daughter of
Mrs G. Duggan, of Sydney,
Australia. street, London, SW6, and Mr J. C. Fraser Smyth, of Kilder-ney House, Kesh, to Fermanagh, Northern Ireland.

Sir Reginald Murley, president of the Royal College of Surgeons of England, yesterday entertained at

Press Club gave a luncheon in honour of Lord Sleff of Brimpton, who was accompanied by 
Lady Sieff, yesterday. Among the 
other guests were:

The Amarian Ambaesador, Baroness 
Ler of Ashridge, Lord and Lady Byero, 
Lady Elliot of Harwood, Lord and Lord 
Smith, Lord and Lady Chalfon, Lord 
Goodnam, the Hon High Fraser. MP, 
the Hon David Astor, Sir John Rodgers, 
Sir Rocald and Lady Presson. Sir 
Duncan and Lady Wilson and Sir Frank 
and Lady Roberts.

Casson. President of the

Mr T. J. Mynott and Miss A. E. Helm

Mr D. H. Boughton and Miss C. P. Peacock The engagement is announced between Duncan, only son of Mr and Muss A. E. Helm

The engagement is announced between Timothy James, eldest son of Dr and Mrs M. J. Mynott, of Eastbourne, Sussex, and Anna Elizabeth, younger daughter ot Mrs J. K. E. Helm, of Bath, Avon, and the late Colonel C. Helm, DSO, OBE, MC. and Mrs H. E. Boughton, of Striding Edge, Bury St Edmunds, and Christabel, only daughter of Professor J. H. Peacock, MD, ChM, FRCS, and Dr G. F. Peacock, of The Old Manor, Ubley, Near Reserved. Mr S. C. V. Surtees and Miss S. M. Hodson Major-General P. A. Downward and Mrs M. Procter The engagement is announced between Major-General Peter. Aldcroft Downward, Royal Hos-pital, Chelsea, and Mrs Mary Procter, of Southover Manor School, Lewes, Sussex.

The engagement is announced between Simon Charles Villers, twin son of Mr and Mrs C. W. Surtees, of 34 South Street, Durham City, and Sara Margaret, second daughter of Mr and Mrs G. N. Hodson, of Walton-le-Wolds, sear Loughborough, Leicestershire.

Pipeline Industries Guild
The annual dinner of the Pipeline
Industries Guild was held at
Grosvenor House last night. Dr J.
Birks, president, was in the chair
and the principal guest and
speaker was Mr Clive Jenkins,
General Secretary of the Association of Scientific, Technical and
Manuarital Staffs. The other suests non of Scientific, lectrifical and Managerial Staffs. The other guests included:
Str Kurby Laing. Str Nevil Macready.
Str Michael Milne-Watson, Str Philip Southwell, Mr A. E. Knowles, Dr A. W. Pearce, Mr W. Richardson and Mr K. F. Roberts,

Marriage

Mr N. G. L. Guppy
and Miss S. K. Gremey
The marriage took place on board
the yacht Marques, cruising in the
Canary Islands, on Thursday,
February 14, of Mr Nicholas
Guppy, of The Pond, Haddenham,
Cambridgeshire, and Miss Sarsh
Grenney, of Auckland, New
Zealand. The Master. Captain
Robin Cecil-Wright, officiated.
The bride, who was given in
marriage by Mr David Luck, was
attended by Miss Rebecca and Miss
Jessica Cecil-Wright. Mr Roger
Gardner was best man.

Today's engagements

The Queen inaugurates the Japan Style Exhibition, Victoria and Albert Museum, 6.30. The Duke of Edinburgh, as Patron and Trustee The Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme, tours South Wales and West Midlands. The Prince of Wales attends Canada Club Dinner, Savoy Hotel,

Exhibitions: Fifteenth annual orts and crafts exhibition, Town Hall, Mare Street, Hackney, 10-5. "The Vikings", British Museum, 10-5. and the other speakers were the Dean of Westminster, Mr Laurence King and Mrs Noel Mander. Rothmans pairs

qualify in bridge contest

The Lord Mayor and the Lady

Mayoress, accompanied by the

Sheriffs and their ladies, were

present at a livery dinner given

by the Carmen's Company vester-

day at the Mansion House. The

Master, Mr W. A. Hodkinson, and

Mrs Hodkinson received the guests

and were assisted by the wardens, Lieutenant-Colonel G. E. Clarkson

and Mr J. P. Wells, and their

ladies. The speakers were Lieutenaut-Colonel F. E. Coxhead,

the Lord Mayor, the Master and

the Minister of Transport. Among

the guests were the American

Ambassador and Mrs Brewster, the Bishop of London and Mr and Mrs Chu Chi-Yuan (Chinese Embassy).

Parish Clerks' Company
The Parish Clerks' Company held
a ladies' dinner at Merchant
Taylors' Hall vesterday. Mr
Reginald Adams, Master, presided

By Our Bridge Correspondent The third weekend of the twid area heats of the Rothmans interregional pairs championship organ-ized by the English Bridge Union took place at Leicester and Torquay over the weekend. The following pairs qualified to take part in the final at the Grand Hotel, Birmingham on June 7-8 joining those already qualified via the Bournemouth-Harrogate and Glasgow-Newport heats.

Torquay

1 M. C. Lewrock, M. A. T. Smith
(southern counties), 4,107; 3 Mr and
kirs B. Schapiro (London), 4,060; 3
M. Michaels, T. McDermotti (Devon
and Cornwall), 5,985; 4; A.
McWalaney (Channel Iyees), D. C.
Sharp (Devon and Cornwall), 5,985;
5 K. A. J. Woods, J. C. Beard Devon
and Cornwelli, 5,975; 6 Miss P.
Davies (Somerati), M. J. Allen
(Devon and Cornwall), 5,944, Best
women's pair, Mrs J. Day Mrs C.
Cooper (Devon and Cornwall), 3,701.
Leicester Leicester

1 M. H. Horton, W. P. Crook (Nottinghamahire), 4,150; 2 A. N. Odams,
D. F. Griffiths (Leicestersture), 4,104;
3 M. A. Summors-Smith, M. Todd
(Warwickshire), 5,216; 1 R. Bentley
(Dorby), T. Pike (Hertfordshire),
3,920.

honour at a reception given by the London Enterprise Agency at the Design Council yesterday. Mr J. M. Raisman, a member of the agency's advisory council, and Viscount Caldecote, Chairman of the Design Council, were joint hosts. Other guests included:
Earl Jellicoe. Lord Bysrs, Lord Sections. Sir Poter Tennant and Sir Kenneth Corfield. King's College,

**Taunton** 

King's College, Taunton will celebrate its centenary during the next two terms, with the senior school having reached its full establishment of 530. The former Convent of St Joseph's has now been converted into three boarding houses and includes the new art school as well as a pre-preparatory school. The Centenary Appeal projects, which are the construction of a sports hall at the senior school and the rebuild-ing of the chapel organ, will both be completed by September this year and the sports hall will be opened formally in the Michaelmas Term.

On July 11 Parents' Day will be combined with the Old Aluredians' Day and there will be a thanksgiving Mass at which the President of the Woodard Corporation, the Bishop of Wakefield, will be the celebraut and the Bishops of Dorchester and Tauntan conscients for the event. ton con-celebrants. On the even-ing of the eleventh, a centenary ball will take place at King's Col-

the swift-like teatures are known to lie within areas where the Moon's magnetic field is unusually strong. If they were indeed formed by comets, the astronomers say, enhanced fields would have resulted from increased magnetization of the local rocks, cared by the invest. For that to

caused by the impact. For that to be so, the comet must have had its own internally generated magnetic field, an idea that will provide a useful indicator to scientists trying to understand the internal structure of comets.

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Although two distinct regions of swirls have been observed, they seem to have been formed at similar times it is possible that they were formed by a single event. It is not uncommon for a comet to contain two nuclei, and the astronomers speculate that the lunar swirl-like features were caused by the impacts of one such

caused by the impacts of one such "split" comer.
Source: Nature (March 6, 1980; volume 284, page 22).

O Nature-Times News Service 1980.

### Science report

### Astronomy: Cometary impacts

ties of the colliding comes. One interesting consequence of the theory is that the comets would have had their own internally generated magnetic fields.

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theory is that the comets would have had their own internally generated magnetic fields.

The surface of the Moon is covered with a large variety of features, predominant among which are the craters; the different features tend to intersect or overlie each other, depending on the sequence of their formation. The craters are the result of bombardment by meteorites; because the Moon has no appreciable atmosphere, meteorites reach its surface untill disturbed by subsequent impacts. The surface therefore presents a record of the impacts that the Moon has sustained.

Rarer features on the lunar surface (and on Mercury, whose surface is very similar to the Moon's) include swirl patterns which stand

bores is being shown by Helen Ballard, Malvern. There are many different species and hybrids, illus-tracing well the variations in colour

Latest estates include (net, before

tax paid; tax not disclosed):
Cadogan, Winifred Joan, of Clayton, Hassocks, Sussex ... £174,150
Cinalli, Mr Antonio, of New
Barner, antique dealer ... £132,075

Latest wills

of flowers and leaves, from pale green to dark green, and shades of white, pink, yellow and purple.

Also in the New Hall is a good display of camellias, with nearperfect flowers and healthy glossy foliage Varieties of note includes tone the purple of the property of th

By Our Horticultural
Correspondent
The sarry spring show of the Royal
Horticultural Society is being held
in the New Hall, Westminster, and
at the same time the annual
British Orchid Show is taking
place in the Old Hall.
Both halls offer a wide and
colourful display of excellent
plants. There are many trees and
shrubs, spring flowering bulbs,
rock garden and alpine plants, as
well as boursai trees, dwarf conifers, ivies, ferns and semperrivums.

The principal gold medal of the

varieties and growers are named.

The following plants received Awards of Merit: Cymbidium "Lady McAlpine Mont Millais", white and crimson, and C "Caledonian Mist Mont Millais", limegreen and red, both from Mr E. E. Young. St Helier, Jersey; Institutional forma, yellow, and Leontice altaica, yellow, both from the director, Royal Botanic Gardens. Kew; and Camellia "Pink Sparkle", pink, from Sir Giles Loder, Leonardslee.

The competitive classes of the Rhododendron Competition are well attended. Lord Aberconway and the National Trust, Bodnant, won the classes for four species, one truss of each, and three hybrids, one truss of each, and three hybrids, one truss of each, as well as a number of other classes.

as a number of other classes.

Another consistent winner is Mr

Stonehurst, with the Duke of Devoushire, Chatsworth, and Sir Glies Loder, Leonardslee, also obtaining a number of awards in the various divisions for different forms of camellia blooms. The British Orchid Show is one of the best staged for many years, with both the trade and amateurs staging excellent exhibits.

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In the competitive classes, Mr
E. E. Young, St Helier, Jersey,
has achieved considerable success.
He has won the British Orchid
Growers' Association Perpetual
Challenge Trophy and Golden
Trophy Rosette for the grand
champion plant in sections A to
D with a superh specimen helia. D with a superb specimen laelia. He has also won the McBean Cymbidium Perpetual Challenge Trophy for six paphtopedilums. Trophy for six paphiopedilums.

Other major winders in the competitive classes include: Mr G G G Williams Norwich. Sidney There per control challenge Trophy, group of orchids and ornamental plants: Mr S. J. Woolway Trophy. Emilington: Mr S. J. Woolway Trophy. Emilington: Mr S. J. Woolway Trophy. Sidney Trophy. Mr G M. Lay, Harrow, Burner Orchids Trophy. Six orchids of discourt genera: Mr G M Lay, Harrow, Burneram Nurseries Perpetual Challenge Trophy. three phalaculousis or alliged genera: Miss M. Di Lahlo, Armstrong and Brown Trophy, three miniature cymbidiums; and British Orchids Society of Greet Britain. first price, a group of orchids. ornamental follage and literature.

The shows are open again today from 10 am to 5 pm.

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From The Times of Saturday, the staphylococeus to observe the March 12, 1955

the staphylococeus to observe the action of the mould, to cultivate it

#### Novelist and war historian

MR J. D. SCOTT

novels and he also wrote several books on various espects of contemporary history, some of which were part of this task as an official war historian. Ha was, too, for a short time in the 1950s, the literary editor of the Spectator.

John Dick Scott was born on February 26, the son of Alexander Scott, OBE, and Margaret Gourlay Allardice. He was educated at Stewart's College, Edinburgh; and Edinburgh University where he graduated MA with honours in history. During the Second World War he served in the Ministry of Aircraft Production as an Assistant Principal from 1940 to 1944. In 1944 he was attached to the Cabinet Office for work on the official history of the

After the war he began writing and this was soon to become a full time occupation though he did hold two editorships, the literary editorship of the Spectator, from 1953 to 1956. and the editorship of Finance and Development from 1963 to 1974.

the principal guestis included Vice-Admiral L. S. Bryson, Director General Weapons (Naval), and Mr V. H. J. Eales, Director of Wea-pons, Production and Quality Scott's first novel appeared in 1947 and gave a slightly un-usual twist to a story of the type which was to become familiar enough as combatants in all spheres put pen to paper in the postwar years. The in the postwar years. The Cellar featured an RAF pilot hero. Aubrey, up to this point a child of fortune, shot down over France and hidden from the Germans by sympathizers in a cellar. The conventional suspense aspects of such a story were neatly balanced by the tension between Aubrey and the other two fugitive occupants

Mr J. D. Scott, who died on soldier. Convincing in characterization this suggested talents the author of a number of able to operate well above the

level of the stock wartime thriller.

The Cellar was followed by The Margin (1949) a story which contrasted the unglamorous security of employment in the Civil Service with the luxurious insecurity of the film world, and The Way to Glory (1952), the story of a Parisian entanglement for a man on a business trip, a novel which, while it appeared to lean to-wards a constitution of more conventional elements, still had its wry, self critical side. The End of an Old Story (1954) traced the decay of a family's sense of its traditions and heritage in the modern world. For several years after the

appearance of this, Scott wrote no more fiction but 1956 saw the appearance of The Administration of War Production, istration of War Production, Scott's contribution to the Official History, which he cowrote with Richard Hughes, the author of A High Wind in Jamaica and other novels, Hughes providing the section on the function of the Admiralty while Scott described the aity while Scott described the Ministry of Supply, the Ministry of Aircraft Production and the Ministry of Production. Life in Britain (1956) was an engagingly written anatomy of the country's social habits and institutions of the post war period.

period. Siemens Brothers (1958) and Vickers: A History were worke based on Scott's abiding interest in and experience of the history of engineering and armaments and he revisited fiction in 1963 with The Pretty Penny, a frank thriller set in Africa. The Design and Development of Weapons (with M. M. Postan

of the celler, a tough illiterate
Scottish soldier and a young
woman ambulance driver, who,
for all Aubrey's apparent advantages, gives herself to the

#### MISS IRENE HILTON

Miss Irene Bilton, who died on for the Admiralty, Air Ministry March 8 at the age of 77, probably did more for the advanceably did more for the advancement of careers for women than anyone else of her generation. Never a vociferous feminist she worked through the provision of accurate information, sound advice and the persuasion of parents, educationalists and em-

She took a First in Biology at Liverpool University in 1923 and won the Isaac Roberts Scholarship became MSc in 1927 and a Fellow of the Linean Society in 1931. From 1923 to 1936 she lectured in biology at University College, Swansea, then in embryology at Edin-burgh University, finally in zoology at Somerville College, Oxford

In 1936 she abandoned this successful academic career to join the slenderly paid staff of the recently formed Women's Employment Federation because of her passionate conviction that girls and women needed far more careers advice than was then available. From 1948 to creativity and enterprise. In 1972 she worked as organizing retirement she became a WEA secretary of WEF (subsequently the National Advisory Centre on of her life, in spite of illness, Careers for Women), lecturing she took her usual evening class and advising in schools and on Creative Writing and her women's organizations all over usual poetry group.
the country. There must be A trenchant and racy speaker, literally thousands of women now undertaking interesting and responsible work who owe the start of their careers to Irene

Hilton.

on the legal and economic status of women committee of the International Federation of University Women, then on its cultural relations committee of which she became convener. From 1956 to 1959 she was president of the British Federation of University Women and from 1962 to 1965 the elected president of the International Federation of University Women (only the second British woman

to hold this office).
In 1957 she led a UNESCO Enquiry into the Access of Women to Higher Education in Underdeveloped Countries and conducted a subsidiary enquiry in six countries into the attitude of schoolgirls to the teaching profession. After her official retirement from NACCW in 1972 she became one of its vicepresidents and continued to do much free-lance careers work.

A scientist by training her greatest interest was people and the encouragement of their lecturer and in the last week

a witty and delightful companion, a deeply sympathetic and staunch friend, her ebullience and enthusiasm carried her into inumerable fields in all of which she will be greatly missed and in all of which she Meanwhile she bad wide all of which she will be greatly responsibilities outside NACCW. missed and in all of which she During the Second World War leaves infinite numbers of men she undertook special lecturing and women who remember her missions at home and abroad with affectionate gratitude.

fusing parts offered her as

After the Second World War,

Chekhova acted in Berlin in

the 1950s and continued to

make successful films. In the

1960s, she gradually dropped

acting in favour of running a

successful cosmetics firm with

factories in Milan. Berlin and

" spirit killing invitations".

#### **OLGA CHEKHOVA** Although chosen as actress of

Olga Chekhova, who was seen in over 100 films, died on March 9 at her home near Munich. She was 82. She was related to Anton Chekhov, the the state by the Nazi regime in 1938, Chekhova took little part in bolstering Hitler's rule, re-Russian writer. The daughter of an engineer

in the Caucasian town of Alexandropol she was born on April 26, 1897. She left home at 16 on her marriage to her cousin, Michael Chekhov. They were divorced three years later, shortly after the birth of their daughter Ada, and Olga went to study art and painting in St

to study art and painting in St Petersburg (now Leningrad) and acting in Moscow.

She emigrated with her daughter to Germany in 1921, winning recognition as an actress in the films of the distinguished German director Pritz Murnau. Her leading roles included that of Nora in a film version of Ibsen's The Doll's House and prominent parts in Peer Gynt, Bel Ami, parts in Peer Gynt, Bel Ami, and Die Drei von der Tankstelle (The Three from the Gas Station).

Munich. She moved to Munich with her daughter and grand-daughter Vera, with whom she starred in a West German telcvision series in 1971.

Active to the last, Miss Chekhova undertook a variety of projects in Munich, including studying medicine, writing books on cosmetics and running a film studio in the city that became the centre for the new German cinema.

He retired to Norfolk in 1967

Burnham Norton Church and at

the time of his death was active

in the appeal for the restoration

of that church's famous round

#### MR F. J. S. ELLIS

Legh Evans, the daughter of E. D. Evans, of Leicester. She survives him with a son and a Sir Michael Duff, 3rd Bt, died

Downing, OBE, who died on on March 3 at the age of 72. his had been a Deputy Lieutenant (1946). Vice-Lieutenant (1957-Surveyor of the Metropolitan 60) and Lord Lieutenant (1950-50) and Lord Lieutenant (1950-50) and Lord Lieutenant (1950-74) of Caernaryonshire, and Borough of Hackney. He was had been, since 1974, Lieuten

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fers, ivies, ferns and sempervivums.

The principal gold medal of the show has been awarded to Mc.
Beans Orchids of Lewes for a 70ft long stand of an outstanding display of large and miniature cymbidiums. Also on show are some new seedlings of odontoglossums, in a good and wide variety of 
colour shades, and some paphiopedilums. A gold medal in the 
lindley range has been won by 
Butterfields Nursery. Upper 
Bourne End, for an artistically 
staged collection of pleoines.

Mr K. R. Wooster, Little Horwood, also was awarded a gold 
medal in the Lindley range for 
an attractive exhibit of Primula 
allionti in pots. His stand has neat 
hummocks of flowers varying in hummocks of flowers varying in colour from white to pink and pale violet with white eyes, and is attracting much attention. An outstanding display of helle-

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Mr Francis John Shipley of Ely in 1962; and was Ellis died in Malta on February appointed Deputy Lieutenant

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He was a member of the TA from 1936 and served with the Royal Artillery as lieutenant and captain during the Second World War, finishing in India and North Burma. Soon after tower.
the war he was appointed a In 1931 he married Mary Justice of the Peace for Huntingdonshire. He was High Sheriff for Cambridgeshire, Hunringdonshire and the Isle

Mr George Leonard Alfred March 5 at the age of 76, was formerly Borough Engineer and made a Freeman of the Bor-ough, ant of Gwynedd. He was High Sheriff of Anglesey, 1950-51.

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# Banking figures show little Cash hopes fail for Sanger rescue evidence of slowdown in private loan demand

The latest set of banking figures, the last to be published ahead of the Budget, appear to offer the Government no decisive message as it draws up its monetary strategy for the new

financial year.

The indication that sterling M3, the broad-based measure of money, may have grown by around 0.5 per cent in Feb-tuary (after new seasonal adjustments) hooks reasonably encouraging but there is still a lack of concrete evidence that the private sector's demand for bank credit is abating. If the M3 estimate is correct,

monetary growth would no longer be running above the top end of the Government's 7-11 per cent annual growth target. The Bank of England's new seasonal adjustment to movements in certificates of tax deposit applied retrospectively would suggest that recent monetary growth could be closer to the middle of the

target range.
It remains true, however, that M3 has consistently under-stated the growth rate of overall liquidity in the economy over the past year, and the evidence that bank lending may at last be responding to high interest rates and recessionary influences is still far from

Yesterday's figures from the London clearing banks on lending to the private sector certainly looked more encouraging. They confirmed that the growth in personal sector loan demand is now decelerating fairly noticeably and pointed to an underlying increase in overall private sector lending of no more than £100m.

These figures are however, unlikely to tell the whole story. Corporate borrowers were tend-ing to switch their borrowing away from the clearing banks

By Caroline Arkinson
The role of Sir Douglas

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The green paper also comes down against the idea that the

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the C and AG to undertake

particular inquiries.

However, the Comptroller should continue to expand his examinations of the efficiency

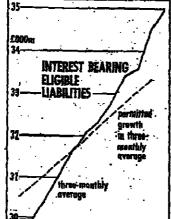
and effectiveness of public

spending in the Government's view. This should be spelled out in any new legislation to replace the existing Excheques and Audit Acts. The Government's

ment is likely to propose legis-lation eventually, although probably not until the session

The paper is neutral on whether the C and AG should have access to the books of the

National Enterprise Board and the British National Oil Cor-



where. This will only show up when the full money supply figures are published tomorrow

In addition, it also seems clear that a counterpart to the favourable influence of the new seasonal adjustment for certificates of tax deposit should be an upward seasonal leading adjustment to bank lending. This is because tax payments that are being met increasignly by the cashingin of CTDs would otherwise have been met, perahaps by as much as 50 percent, by higher bank borrowing. On this basis, it may well be that the underlying increase in bank lending lest worth was

bank lending last month was not so very different from the recent monthly average of more than £700m. For the Government the lack

of decisive evidence that private sector loan demand is decelerating undoubtedly compli-cates the judgments that it is going to need to make.

The hope had been that by now private sector loan demand would be showing the kind of deceleration that would have allowed for a small increase in at the end of the banking the nominal public sector bor-menth because at the time it rowing requirement next year was cheaper to borrow else- and, perhaps, a small reduction

Analysis of Comptroller's status

The Government said that it

would welcome representations on yesterday's Green Paper

from interested institutions and individuals. The public accounts

committee and the treasury and

civil service committee will probably hold hearings on the

Government's proposals and will issue reports. Sir Douglas

Henley is also expected to

The paper forms part of the Government's general review of the functions of the Exchequer

It has come down, albeit provisionally, against granting the C and AG access to nationalized

industry accounts. It says that this would constitute a major new departure and would probably lead the Government into greater interference in the

and Audit Department.

poration. The public accounts affairs of nationalized indus-

set out in government paper

comment.

Auditor General should not be Exchequer and Audit Depart-widened for his department to ment (headed by the C and examine the policy objectives AG) complained last year that of public spending, according it could not properly oversee to a government consultative the NEB without this access.

# It may well be that the con-

tinuing strength of manu-facturing's demand for credit reflects involuntary stockbuild ing. In that case it can be expected to subside as manu-facturers start to destock and adjust their production schedules downwards. Evidence that this was already happening would, however, have left the Chancellor rather more room for manoeuvre as well as put-ting financial markets in a more confident mood ahead of

Meanwhile, the Treasury still appears to feel confident that the public sector borrowing re-quirement for the present year hould come out just below £9.000m.

The central government borrowing requirement in the 11 months to February totalled £8,084m, after a borrowing requirement in February itself of

Although there will probably be an underlying deficit of well over £1,000m in March, this will be largely negated by accelerated petroleum tax receipts of froom and asset sales proceeds of a like amount. This would leave the CGBR below the forecast of roughly £8,500m adjusted for asset value).

Although spending has been running ahead of target with the expected shortfall in spenreceipts have been particularly binoyant. Income tax receipts continue to be boosted by higher than expected increases in personal earnings, while there are now clear signs that VAT payments are now starting to carch up with schedule.
While the CGBR may fall short, however, it seems prob-able that the rest of the public

sector, particularly the local authority element, will over-shoot borrowing forecasts. Tables, page 22 Financial Editor, page 21

says that the C and AG should

develop value for money audits, and effectiveness audits. Sys-

cost effective and a sensible way of carrying out the C and

It does suggest that the Comptroller should more often

be given rights of inspection,

even if not appointed auditor. He should be involved in non-

departmental bodies which spent public money, although Parliament should decide which

bodies should be subject to scrumy and the Comptroller should decide on the kind of

An important consideration should be the effectiveness of

ministerial supervision of pay-ments to non-departmental

tems-based auditing can

AG's responsibilities.

# port came after seven days of talks between themselves and

J. E. Sanger, the publicly-quoted meat trader, plans to go into voluntary liquidation with bank debts of about £6m.

The decision follows the break-down of talks with an unnamed third party and Sanger's five major bankers, which the company hoped would lead to an immediate injection of cash but the banks are now to withdraw their

support. Earlier this year Sanger announced that the collapse of Gilmore & Partners, a small Smithfield meat concern, which is being compulsorily wound up and has debts of £1.8m, could cost the company £400,000. Mr James Sanger, the chair-man and founder, said last

night: "The collapse of Gilmore was a factor, bur it was not significant." More important was £2.25m of write-offs relating to the company's American venture and retailing operation. The decision of the Algemene Bank Nederland, Midland Bank, Bank of Adelaide, Australia and New Zealand Banking Group and Hambros to withdraw sup-

The latter is still believed to be the Geneva-based Gulf Group which has trading links with Sanger and around 15 per cent of the shares, although Mr. Sanger declined to confirm the group's involvement.

Sanger's shares were suspen-ded at 20p on March 4 while the talks took place. At that price, the company was capitalized in at £2.2m. Its net assets per share were said to be 191p last June.

At 1 am on Sunday Mr Sarger and his fellow directors, including newly appointed deputy chairman Mr H. M. Newton-Clare who took a 7 per cent stake on his appointment, thought they had an acceptable

package.

But by 4.30 pm on Monday talks had broken down. In a statement yesterday, Mr Sanger said: "The discussions did not result in an agreement and result in an agreement and injection of new capital the bankers decided they are unable to continue support.

By Roman Eisenstein

Banking Correspondent In a move designed to chal-

Mr Sanger is now preparing letter to shareholders detail-ng the "substantial losses" ing the incurred by the group this year and the group's debt. The let-ter will ask them to place Sanger in voluntary liquidation with senior partners of Peat Marwick Mitchell Mr William Ratford and Mr Tim Hayward as joint liquidators. A special meeting is expected at the end

Mr Sanger said" The amount owed to trade creditors is nominal. Our main debts are to the banks."

The group has not worked out the exact amount of the debt. Last June borrowings were around £8m and Mr Sanger said that by December last year it had been reduced by about £2m.

The Australian, Paris and Dublin businesses could still be profitable. "They could be sold as going concerns, although I have had no approaches," he said. "It is mainly the London end of the operation that suf-fered high interest rates and difficult trading conditions."

Mr Sanger, 49, built his

Midland to get cash and shares for

Thomas Cook sale to Euro banks

Croydon-based meat from scratch in 1969. group went public four years later and Mr Sanger still holds about 20 per cent of the shares. Profits peaked at £1.5m in 1976, but the past three years the group has been running at

In 1977, the group diversified from import, export and wholesaling, into retailing. But last year, faced with mounting problems and heavy losses, it sold the division, writing off £1.5m

The American meat and sea-food import and export busi-ness was sold last December to an unnamed Australian buyer for \$175,000

The sale was described as a "tidying up operation" after the shift in the pattern of Sanger's American business. It had previously bought meat in Australia for sale in the United States. With losses of \$1m a year, the group moved to an agency arrangement with a United States importer. Sangers wrote off \$1.5m on the sale of the bulk of its American interests.

and hence the hotting up of the competition. Last year 76 per cent of the estimated £16,000m

international business was accounted in dollars and 40 per

cent of it was written by American Express.

Last year the Visa credit card

operation launched its own travellers' cheques scheme

travellers' cheques scheme which Barclays the main United

Kingdom participant joined in January this year and the Mid-land move will strengthen the

concentration of the business into fewer hands.

taken some defensive moves by

ioining forces with three French

banks for the issuing of franc

cheques. Yesterday a spokesman

for the group said that it wel-comed "any move which seeks

to expand the travellers' cheque

American Express has already

# of \$4,000m

Turkey now hopes to borrow in London vesterday.

tary for planning and chief economic adviser to Süleyman Demirel, the Prime Minister, said about \$900m had already been obtained-\$276m from the International Monetary Fund, \$202m from commercial banks, \$96m from the United States and \$324m in outstanding nondisbursed credits (including export credits) from 1979. A further \$450m was expected in project credits and \$200m from increased acceptance credit by the banks.

Mr Ozal was now hoping for \$1,200m in new pledges from Organization of Economic Cooperation and Development countries, whose officials will meet in Paris to discuss the issue on March 26. He is also looking for up to \$600m relief through debt rescheduling ing the importance of the basic financial and regularity audits,

The rest would come from the World Bank, which has

Whether all this would suffice depended on the price of oil, Mr Ozal said. He had also sked for more than \$1,000m aid from Saudi Arabia. "We had some good response, but I want to see the money", he added.

Mr Ozal is having talks with some of Turkey's private credi-tors in London about terms of payment for unguaranteed imports. The ourstanding debt for these is \$1,800m. Turkey has offered payment in foreign ex-change over 10 years or in Turkish lira immediately. This offer was not well received, and Mr Ozal is now trying to im-

### Turkey aims for foreign borrowing

By Edward Mortimer more than \$4,000m (about £1,800m) abroad this year to balance her accounts, Mr Turgut Ozal, the leading economist in the Turkish Government, said

Mr Ozal, who is undersecre

under the aegis of OECD.

gramme credits but there would probably now be a new programme; and he hoped for a new standby agreement with the

The Role of the Comptroller and Auditor General: Cound 7845, FIMSO 52.25.

In London the dollar re

in a move designed to Challenge the dominance of American Express, Midland Bank yesterday revealed the terms on which it is to sell part of its travellers' cheques operations of Thomas Cook its abditions to group of Europe subsidiary to a group of European banks. Midland is to receive in

stages £16.4m in cash and shares for the non-sterling business of Thomas Cook. The shares will represent a 20 per cent stake in a proposed hold-ing company which will own the dollar and other non-European traveller's cheques business of Thomas Cook.

Under the proposed deal, banks in each country will them-selves own the travellers cheques operations in the local currencies. It has not yet been decided where the new company will be registered-Brussels is mooted as a possible For banks, travellers cheques' home—but the operational head-are effectively dormant non-Brussele is mooted as a possible

quarters will be located in interest bearing accounts until Peterborough, the head office of Thomas Cook.

The new company will employed interest bearing accounts until they are cashed. At the current levels of interest rates, the business is enormously profitable

The new company will employ about 400 people worldwide. The business being hived off represented between 15 and last year profits of £10m.

Participating banks are likely to be located in most major European countries, including Germany, France, the Benelux, Scandinavian countries as wel as Austria and Switzerland.

It is not yet known how many banks will eventually partici-pate but the impetus seems to come from banks associated with Midland on the international scene. Thus Deutsche Bank of Germany and Societe Generale of France are likely to be among the major partici-pants. Both are partners with the Midland in EBIC, the international banking consortium.

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# WHERE IN THE WORLD STANDARD CHARTERED?



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# Japan set to raise interest rate again

From Koji Nakamura Tokyo, March 11

The Bank of Japan is expec-ted to raise the official discount rate "by more than one per cent" possibly this week, according to economic observers

here. The bank which raised the official discount rate by 1 per cent to 7.25 from February 19. is now seriously considering another increase Some observers feel, however, "even a 1.5 per cent increase" would not be effective to coun-ter the current "interest war"

13p to 403p

and to prop the yen which has fallen to the level of 248 to the dollar. As much as \$3,000m has been committed by the Bank of Japan to support the yen during the past week

The bank announced yester-day that wholesale prices in February advanced by an unprecedented 36.1 per cent in annual terms (a rise of 2.6 per cent over January and 21.4 per cent over landary and 224 per the corresponding month of 1979). The 26 per cent monthly growth represented the highest spiral since Pebruary, 1974, when the index registered a 39 per cent increase.

accounted for the biggest single item responsible for price rises. The rate of increase was 9.7 per cent over the previous month followed by S.1 and 10.1 per cent advances for petrol and

The Bank of Japan expressed its "Serious concern and apprehension " over the 36.1 per cent advance in prices which fol-lowed rises of 23.9 per cent in December and 28.3 per cent in January. Consumer price move-ments in January and February mere no less statution.

kerosene, respectively.

mained firm yesterday, despite some early profit taking and continued substantial intervention by other central banks. Sterling and the yen both rose against the dollar, with the pound 1.05 cents up from Monday at \$2.227. The dollar was up a little against the Swiss franc and German mark. Central banks were thought to have spent as much as \$5,000m in holding down the dollar last The mark closed at 1.8097 against the dollar, and the Swiss franc at 1.73275.

Check on health problems in America's Silicon Valley

# Mysterious hazards of microchips

Investigations to be under-taken by the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (Niosh) and the Califor-nian Occupational Safety and Health Administration (Calosha) are going to provide the first systematic assessment of health problems in making microelec-tronic chips and integrated cir-

The investigations follow mys terious complaints of ill health by workers at the Signetics Corporation a large semiconductor company based in California's Silicon Valley, the centre of microelectronics manufacturing in the United

Eight employees in the Signetics research and development building, where manufacturing is carried out on a pilot scale, complained to Niosh and Calosha of various symp-toms, including irritation of the eyes, mouth, throat and chest; mouth and tongue blisters; nosebleeds and cough; and headaches and lightheadedness. When Niosh investigators mistic over the possibility of health hazards.

records of 10 other workers, they found that eight had suffered periodically from similar

Although Signetics provides Later this month Niosh will r-turn to Signetics to carry out a more widespread medical ex-

amination, which company ex-

ecutives did not allow on previous visits. An interim report by Niosh states: "the investigators have not, in the course of their professional experience, encoun such as of tered a problem quite like this and arsine. one, nor are they aware of publications by other medical investigators that would shed sub-

stantial light on this matter. " However, they wish to state most emphatically that in their opinion there exist one or more agents in certain areas of the Signetics workplace environment which, upon becoming airborne, possess the capability to irritate mucous membranes and induce an altered state of response in some persons . . . . The investigators are not onliAlthough Signetics provides

the best-known instance of health problems in the semiconductor industry, Calosha regularly receives doctors' reports of occupational sickness in other companies. One specific hazard in the manufacture of semiconductors and integrated circuits is accidental exposure to toxic gases used as dopants such as diborane, phosphine

Silicon Valley has the greatest concentration of microelectronic circuit makers, followed by Route 128 outside Boston, but both locations are showing signs of overcrowding, and there is now rapid growth elsewhere. (Colorado, for example, is a favourite site for fast-growing high technology companies.)

The mobility of the industry, and the swift pace at which its manufacturing processes are changing, will make it hard for the investigators to pin down

PRICE CHANGES

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#### **Montedison** in \$800m Soviet deal

Montedison, Italy's biggest chemical group, will sign in Rome tomorrow a long term framework agreement with the Soviet Union, which foresees the provision of seven petrochemical plants for a value of chemical plants for a value of

\$800m (about £362m).

The agreement is due to be signed by Mr Sukhov, the Soviet deputy minister of foreign trade, and Signor Giuseppe Medici, chairman of Montedison.

This agreement has gone ahead in spite of pressures for Western countries to reduce their economic links because of the Soviet invasion of Afghani-

#### Investments in Spain

Foreign investments in Spain reached 80,000m pesetas (about £548mi in 1979 compared with 56.880m pesetas in the previous year, the Spanish commerce ministry said in Madrid.

### Union chief's plea

Mr Douglas Fraser, the United Autoworkers president, said in Detroit he will urge Chrysler's hoard to consider strongly a joint assembly ven-ture with Mitsubishi of Japan, using a Chrysler plant in the United States.

#### Car exports issue

Mr Masayoshi Ohira, the Japanese Prime Minister has been told by Mr Naohiro Amaya, his deputy trade and industry minister that the issue of increasing Japanese car exports to the United States must be settled before Mr Ohira's visit to Washington in May, government officials in

#### Opel short time call

Adam Opel AG, the General Motors subsidiary in Frankfurt has asked its works council to approve two weeks of short-time working for some employees in April. Workers in its Ruesselsheim and Waiser-slautern plants will be affected.

#### Sweden's jobless fall Sweden's unemployment fell

in February to 82,000 from 94,000, both in January this year and February, 1979, the Central Statistics Office said in Viewdata drive to cover half of coun try's telephone subscribers

# Post Office launches Prestel on wider market

The Post Office is planning to make its Prestel Viewdata information service available to half the telephone subscribers in Britain by the end of this year. The Britain by the end of this year. The announcement by the Post Office yesterday comes in the wake of parliamentary concern over the content of "dirty books" guide pages on the service and on the eve of a big publicity campaign for the

Yesterday's announcement also revealed significant difference between the Post Office policy on the content of the Prestel pages available in the United Kingdom and those available on the new international Prestel market trial.

Dr Alex Reid, Prestel director, eaffirmed that the recent incident of the "dirty books" pages (a guide to five Soho bookshops selling "girly mags, specialist mags, and erone novels", which has since peen withdrawn) had not caused the Post Office to have any second thoughts about its policy of complete neutrality on the content of Prestel pages—"rather the

The information provider should be able to put up whatever he wishes, subject to the constraints of the law", he said. But this "common carrier" approac is not being carried over to the international Prestel service which has just

been launched. Dr Reid revealed. Here the Post Office is "a competitive entrant in a competitive market " and is exercising quality control over the content of the pages. At present there are 2,486 Prestelequipped television sets in use, with access to 156,465 pages supplied by 138 "information providers". The service is available on a local-call basis to telephone

subscribers in London, Birmingham and Nottingham, and today the service is being extended to Edinburgh and Glasgow.

By the end of this year, Dr Reid said,
Prestel would be available to 13 million telephone users throughout the United Kingdom. This means that about half of those on the telephone will then be within local-call range of the service, and the number of sets in use could increase by "tens of thousands" during the year.

In the United Kingdom Prestel is being marketed both for business and for domestic use. A monochrome Prestel set costs £600-£700, a colour one £1,100 to £1,200, and an adapter for a conventional television set costs £500.

The international Pressel trial service, by contrast, is aimed solely at the business user. Companies such as ABC Travel Guide, the BBC, the Economist, IPC and Lloyds of London Press are supplying the information, and international farms such as PR Henry FOM ICI ICI Park Versey. as BP, Hertz, IBM, ICI, ICL, Rank Xerox Shell, Sony, Trust House Forte and Unilever are experimentally using it.

The international service gives these and other users in Sweden, West Germany, the Netherlands, Switzerland, Australia and the United States direct access from their offices to a special Prestel computer centre in London. "We are auxious that this British technological lead should be turned into a commercial success", Dr Reid added.

Kenneth Owen

#### Forecasters agree on severe recession Cambridge Econometrics, in

for a severe recession this year, with high unemployment, a drop in output and continuing high inflation.

There is now a clear con- one of the most recent foresensus among economic fore- casts, is the most gloomy of casters that Britain is heading those featured in the table, with a drop of 3.4 per cent in output forecast this year. One of the reasons for this

spending measure of gdp, which was distorted seriously downwards last year. Fore-casters, such as the London Business School, who use the output measure will automatically tend to optimistic view of output now. that their model follows the

#### FORECASTS FOR THE BRITISH ECONOMY

Gross domestic product	NIESR (Feb)	LBS (Feb)	HG (Mar)	CE (Mar)		P&D	Treasury
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	-0.5	-1.7	-1.5	-3.4	-1.6	-1.7	-2.0
Inflation	15.8	17.7	17.6	18.6	16.5	17.6	14.0
Unemployment (000)	1.580°	1,478	1,520	1:800	1.500	1.415	n.a.
Consumer spending	2.7	-0.7	-0.1	<u> </u>	+0.4	-0.6	0.5
Private investment inc house-	•						
building	-3.7	-4.7	0.0	6.9	<b>—1.5</b> '	1.6	1.0 <sup>5</sup>
Public investment inc house-							
building	<b>~</b> 5.1 °	<b> 3.5</b> ·	-5.9	-6.5	1.54	-6.3	-4.5°
Public authorities consumption	-1.1	-0.2	-0.7	0.5	+0.2	-2.6	0
Stockbuilding (£m 1975)	1,750	600	213	<b>- 400</b>	+0,17	-300	-27
Exports	2.5	4.5	3.7	-3.3	+0.7	3.6	0
Imports	2.3	0.8	3.1	4.6	+1.1	<b>-0.8</b>	-2.5
Balance of payments deficit							
(-) year 1980 £m	-1.819	1.700	-300	-1.100	1,900	<b>—800</b> ·	-2,000
PSBR (£m fiscal 1980-81)	9,000	10,700	8,750	10,200	9,100	9,200	9
Money supply (% charge in £m3		-	-	-	-	_	
fiscal 1980-81 2	9	8.8	7.0°	10.8	1.31	10.2*	n.a.

NIESR: National Institute of Economic and Social Research, LBS: London Business School, HG: Hoars Govett. CE: Cambridge Econometrics. StJ: St. James Group; published in Economist. P & D: Phillips and Drew.

flourth quarter 1980 on fourth quarter 1979. I tourth quarter 1980. I excluding oil, I gross fixed investment. I private fixed investment. Public corporation's fixed investment. I stockbuilding as % gdp. second quarter 1981 on second quarter 1980. PSBR is forecast to stay at about the same % of gdp. in money terms as in 1979-80.

Forecasts for gdp components are in constant prices. The private forecasts assume policy changes. For details readers should refer to original sources. Categories in different forecasts are not completely comparable, but differences are minor. Differences in result also reflect differences in assumptions, model constructions and date at which work

The month in which work was published is given in brackets. Forecasts, published by the Treasury twice-yearly: NIESR. CE and ST J four times a year; LBS three times a year, HG and P & D revise

#### UK groups after £400m Saudi deal

By John Huxley
Two British led groups are among more than 20 multinational consortia competing for a £400m contract to build the 16-mile Bahrain causeway.

The project, which will link the island to the mainland of Saudia Arabia has been under consideration for several years. Bids are due to be returned to Riyadh on June 1 this year. Potential contractors hope that work, on what is regarded as the last of the present genera-

the last of the present genera-tion of big civil engineering contracts in the Middle East, will follow quickly.

Of the 42 consortia who sought pre-qualification last March, 22 have been selected by the Saudi government, working in consultation with World Bank officials in Washington. Yesterday John Howard, the Kent-based civil engineering and building contractor, an-nounced that it was leading a consortium comprising itself and Sir Alfred McAlpine, from Britain, Hitachi Zosen from Japan, and Bristol Steel & Iron Works from the United States. Among the other contenders is an all-British consortium comprising Costain, Taylor Woodrow and Redpath Dorman Long, which was involved re-cently in the Dubai dry dock

RDL had been part of an-other consortium, which inclu-ded a subsidiary of Tarmac, the civil engineering and roadstone

According to Howard, who recently had a 16-man team in Saudi Arabia for two weeks, it would share the civil work with McAlpine. Hitachi and Bristol Steel would be responsible for the steel bridges.

### Wisdom of reducing standard tax rates

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

From Lord Monson

Sir, Powerful voices have been heard recemtly—including that of the CBI—urging the Chancallor to eliminate the "lower rate" bend of income tax. At present this band embraces the first £750 of taxable income, on which tax is levied at 25 percent Mon I have presented to expend the control of the control

cent. May I be permitted to ex-

press a contrary view, namely that far from raising the rate of tax on the first few hundred pounds of taxable income to 30 per cent, the Chancellor should reduce it to 20 per cent or less. Deductions (income tax plus earnings-related national insurance contribution) from relatively low earnings are already much more steeply progressive in Britain than in most other in Britain than in most other industrialized countries—a conuributory factor to the wellknown "poverty trap". Take the case of a partitimer, or 
juvenile, who in a month's time—when the new national insurance rates will have come into 
force but before any Budget 
adjustments to personal allow-

adjustments to personal allow-ances will have taken effect—is earning £22.40 a week. At that earning 122.40 a week. At that point such a wage would be free of any deductions—reasonably enough, one might think. However, suppose that this individual is offered the chance of working an additional half-hour a week, say, for an extra 60p. He or she would be extremely fall-like the contraction. foolish to accept, since the com-

House of Lords London SWL

and tobacco.

Yours faithfully.

to extra effort.

lower rate from 25 per cent to 20 per cent, if necessary

step would have the incidental

could be recouped fairly pain-lessly by a very modest increase in the excise duty on alcohol

#### Privacy la. From the Director of the

National Computing Cent Sir. Mr P. C. Davidson (March 3) was an inte expression of what seem a growing concern abo a growing concern and possible consequences for seas trade of a lack of legislation in the United dom. This concern ha ance on the extra 60p would total f1.70, representing a marg-inal tax rate of 283 per cent, mainly as a result of the absence of "tapering" relief on reported from the CBI a pressed at a recent in the National Computer national insurance contributions at the lower end of the scale.

Were the lower rate abol-ished the marginal rate would International trade easy exchange of com-operating data between tries. This may be in unless data protection a ties in those countries rise to 289 per cent. This is, of course, an extreme case. Never-theless, even the marginal rate applicable slightly further up the wage scale of 312 per cent (25 per cent lower rate tax plus 63 per cent NIC) is enequitably high. An effective rate of 363 per cent would be worse still. have privacy legislatic satisfied that personal adequately protected United Kingdom. The National Con Centre, in conjunction and even more of a disincentive

Let the Chancellor reduce the national institutes in and Germany, is a privacy problems in a E. narrowing the band to the first £500 of taxable income. Such a context and has very t pean Commission, which effect of leaving an extra 24p a week in the pockets of everyone paying tex at the standard rate or above. Should even this published shortly.

We are currently arran canvass our memb 2,000 establishments in t trifling sum be more than the Chancellor can spare us, it

gauge the strength and of the concerns presentand would welcome any sions of interest from D. R. FAIRBAIRN

Director, The National Computing Oxford Road, Manchester M1 7ED.

Stratton,

Cirencester

Gloucestershire.

From Signor Ernesto C

Sir. In today's Business

(March 4), Mr J. M. Br

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suggest this may be as 3 per cent) and the re

### Economic benefits from CB radio

From Mrs P. Webster

Sir. In his letter today (March 4) Mr Bryant, of the Citizens Band Association, mentions only the direct benefits of the introduction of citizens' band radio to this country. He of very important indirect benefits.

Studies in the United States have shown that drivers using citizens' band drive more slowly and avoid congestion and road blocks. They thus use up to 3 per cent less fuel than similar drivers without citizens' band. If all British drivers were to carry and use citizens' band the saving in motor fuel would be The use of citizens' band in

United States and a number of European countries has bers of multiple collisions which occur in fog or falling snow (the initial collision still happens but other drivers, warned either directly or by other drivers carrying citizens' band, do not pile into it). Apart from the hearthreak and suffering country. caused by such accidents the quantifiable cost of a fatal acci-

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# Juggling with the banking figures

nancial markets impatiently awaiting the idget were disappointed that yesterday's bruary banking figures did not give them mething to get their teeth into.

That does not mean that there is nothing couraging that can be drawn from the gures. The authorities' preliminary timate is that they point to a rise in erling M3 of around 0.5 per cent, a respectle enough figure in itself and one that ould bring the annualized rate of growth ace last June roughly back into line with e top end of the 7-11 per cent target range. What is more, if the Bank of England's wly introduced seasonal adjustment for ertificates of Tax Deposit were included trospectively, an underlying rate of monery growth comfortably inside the upper id of the target could be drawn out of the

The market however always looks upon langes to the seasonal adjustment with ution. And what is certainly true in this ise is that the counterpart of the improved erling M3 figure should be an upward asonal adjustment to bank lending since e application of CTDs to tax payments eps borrowing lower than it would probly have been otherwise. Allowing for this id the fact that lending was switched out the cleaners last month, the underlying ink lending trend may show no discernible aprovement.

1idland Bank Cash still

oming in

idland Bank is steadily building up a neat le of cash for its expected expansion overas. Yesterday it announced the sale for 6.4m in cash and shares of Thomas-Cook's on-sterling travellers' cheque business, in self a good deal since Midland only paid Om for the whole of Thomas Cook when it aught out the other consortium owners ree years ago.

In addition to the wish of putting together major travellers' cheques club able to chalnge the world-wide domination of Amerin Express-10 per cent of this currently ghly profitable business against Cook's 10 r cent-the Midland move seems part of broader strategy of building up cash to unce in foreign markets, especially in the nited States.

Over the past 12 months, since February 79, Midland has seemed to be clearing e decks for a major acquisition by selling f various assets. The Bland Payne insurce broking side was the first to go, then e stake in Standard Chartered and Midad has further raised a \$125m Eurodollar in. The sale of parts of the travellers' eque business may be modest by comparin with the rest. But altogether the Midland II have raised cash of over £200m and e market is awaiting news on how this il be redeployed.

Entry into the United States financial irket is by no means cheap. But it is still e of the few widely open to foreign bankg acquisitions and entry into it has become sential because of the need for a dollar

While Midland dithers about its United ates strategy, it could do worse than look the example being set by Heron Corporam's decision to buy the Pima Savings and ian Association in Arizona. For one thing e \$23.5m cash (which may be adjusted the light of this year's profits) Heron is ying values the S & L at around 10 times 79 earnings compared with p/e ratios getig on for double this figure British banks we been stumping up for United States. inks and financial institutions along with ity goodwill elements in the bargain.

And unlike the extravagant prices United ates banks are commanding now they are a sharply rising earnings trend, S & L's ve been under rather a cloud recently as ted rate lenders (for house mortgages) pendent to a large extent on floating rate oney at a time when rising United States terest rates must have made much of their

rding barely profitable. For Heron the Pima deal is the first sigficant step in its declared aim of increasing United States exposure now that most of e United Kingdom interests are close to aturity and with a \$25m loan facility ranged last year finance, as always, will the last of Heron's worries. While S & L's e not the big cash flow producers Heron

hopes to see from its anticipated push into the North American natural resources scene, they do have a backbone of cheap retail profits and profits are transformed when interest rates start to fall. And Heron is plainly hoping to use the S & L base as a bridgehead for a more aggressive move into

Lacklustre showing

After three very good years De Beers faces a leaner time in 1980, with the 1979 figures pointing to rather more than just a slowdown in growth. After-tax profits are virtually static at R751m, but the tell-tale signs are in the diamond account where profits slipped nearly a fifth to R831m while the value of diamonds on hand went up from R256m to R409m.

The sharp fall in De Beers' cash balances from R1,275m to R975m also hints at the need to buy and finance mere stocks, though part of the difference is attributable to share purchases, including a small part of the Consolidated Gold Fields adventure.

On the diamond side, the figures suggest that Central Selling Organisation sales actually fell in the second half, after expanding by just 2 per cent in rand terms in the first six months. High interest rates have squeezed trade stocks, although for the moment retail sales are holding up.

The 1979 figures also show that De Beers is deploying more cash in general invest-ments. The marker value of listed investments rose sharply from R817m to R1,875m. Part of this is due to the Minorco-Charter-Anglo American reorganization, but the increase in dividend and investment income from R234m to R312m highlights the value of this source of income when diamonds are not performing so well, which has helped keep the dividend on a rising trend up from a total of 65 to 72.5 cents, at which the shares yield 6.1 per cent at yesterday's price of \$9.50, even though earnings per share are only level pegging with 1978 at 205.7 cents.

Sedgwick Forbes

After the

Sedgwick Forbes and Bland Payne could hardly have envisaged a harsher business environment in which to wrestle with the logistics of melding their operations to form Britain's biggest insurance broking group. So in the event a mere 7 per cent profits

fall to £47.4m for the combined group is no mean achievement. The shares responded accordingly yesterday with a 4p rise to 96p where a yield of 7.4 per cent and p/e ratio of 8.4 reflect a slight discount to the sector average which is more than accounted for by takeover excitement at C. T. Bowring. In common with its rivals, Sedgwick has

had to struggle with the adverse effect of sterling's strength on dollar premiumswhich clipped f5m from the pre-tax total-and lower premium rates across the board, although higher interest received on clients' money in transit has eased the pressure. At the same time Sedgwick has been a net loser of United States business as a result of the current realignment of transatlantic links mainly through Marsh & McLennan switching its favours towards Bowring.

Significantly, bowever, Sedgwick has managed to contain the expense ratio to 66 per cent, a rise of only six points on the combined total for the previous year, and merger benefits should reduce it further still in the current year.

Prospects for this year seem only faintly more hopeful-Sedgwick claims to have seen some sign of rates hardening in aviation business at least-but the group looks particularly well-placed to recover some American business if Marsh & McLennan's bid for

Bowring fails. Meanwhile, as if to rub salt in Bowring's wounds, Sedgwick claims its talks on premium pooling with the United States group Alexander & Alexander are still progressing smoothly. The current year target must be for a recovery to around £52m whatever the outcome of transatiantic reshuffling and Sedgwick could soon regain the premium rating previously enjoyed by its respective

# Canada's economy: Liberals tread warily

Nobody in Canada is taking bets on what direction economic policy will take under Mr Pierre Trudeau, the Liberal Prime Minister elected last month to lead the nation once

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The Liberals made few promises in the campaign leading up to the February 18 election that brought them back to power after only nine months in oppo-sition to Mr Joe Clark's Conservative minority government.
Mr Trudeau carefully avoided assuming any strong policy positions. ·

He contented himself with attacking Mr Clark's record as prime minister, while condemning the Tories for their budget proposal to more than double the domestic price of crude oil and raise the petrol excise tax from seven cents to 25. It was the defeat of the Tory budget on December 13 that precipitated the election.

Mr Trudeau had no need to do more. Mr Clark tried the bitter-medicine approach to Canada's economic ailments and the need for energy conservafor his pains.
The Prime Minister has

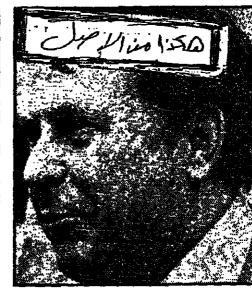
appointed to the key post of finance minister Mr Alian MacEachen, a cautious and politically shrewd Cape Breton Scot, who is also deputy prime

minister.

His canniness is showing in his first weeks in office. He is, for the moment, keeping his own counsel on future policies. Predictably, he said that he has no intention of reintroducing the petrol excise tax increase, which died with the Conservative budget, and he has indicated that a Liberal campaign



Mr Trudeau and Mr MacEachen: treading warily in an economic minefield-



commitment to increase old age pension supplements by SC35 a month—one of the few promises the party made-will "very much on my mind". On taking office Mr Mac-Eachen said he would introduce a new budget as soon as possible after parliament reconvenes on April 14 and would not necessarily wait until an oil pricing agreement has been reached with the main pro-

ducing province, Alberta. The price Alberta is to receive for its oil is one of the most controversial issues in Canadian politics. The present domestic price is \$C14.75 a barrel, compared with a world The Tories proposed to crease this in stages to quite reached the signing stage when Mr Clark's government was defeated. . Mr Peter Lougheed, the Con-

servative Premier of Alberta, has stated that he will not accept less net benefit under any pricing agreement with the Liberals in Ottawa than he would have received had the Tories remained in office. So the new Trudeau Government may in fact be resigned to increases more or less on the

ment is pledged only to keep per cent.

SC32.25 a barrel over the next this year's increase below the four years under an agreement with Alberta which had not

oil prices down.

Another problem which Mr
MacEachen faces, and which

scale that its predecessor had agreed. Energy minister Mr Marc Lalonde says that the Govern- interest rates, now touching 15

SC4 a barrel planned by the Clark Government. It has made no promises for future years. The present federal-provincial pricing agreement expires on June 30.

The central government will have to proceed warily with any move to accommodate Alberta, given the fierce determination of the consuming provinces, led by industrial Ontario, to keep

may prove just as explosive in own way as the energy pricing question, is the crisis in housing brought about by Canada's record mortgage

Thousands whose mortgages are up for renegotiation this year and who are unable or unwilling to pay

the higher costs are leaving their homes and taking accommodation elsewhere. The Trudeau Covernment may be forced to bring in a variation of the Conservative plan to give home owners an

income tax credit against mort-

gage interest payments and municipal taxes. The Canadian economy is ticking over very sluggishly at the moment and unemployment is running at a seasonally adjusted rate of between 7 and 8 per cent, which means that something like a million Canadians are out of work.

But far from advocating a programme of pump-priming to revive the sluggish economy and put Canadians back to work, the newly installed government appears wedded to

the idea of fiscal restraint. At the same time neither Mr Trudeau nor Mr MacEachen is as obsessed with the need to cut the government's budgerary deficit, currently \$11,800m, as the Conservatives were. The finance minister said recently he was concerned but not "consumed" by the size of the

deficit. The Liberals' first budget is unlikely to offer any major tax concessions or any sufficient creation programmes to take up

the slack in the economy.

But neither is the r government likely to propose any very strict, long-range measures for purting Canada's economic house in order.

John Best

# Could the British follow Japan's investment lead?

argument over the monetarist approach to economic management seem to be missing several essential points. Keynesianism was a demand-

expanding, wealth-sharing sys-tem. It did not create wealth unless there was spare capacity in the form of idle machinery and unemployment. As a solution to large-scale unemploy-ment, Keynesianism succeeded for over a generation; but as many economists have remarked, Keynes had little to say on the subject of economic growth, although his followers have developed a touching faith in the advantages of a high pressure of demand.

Monetarism is a demand-constricting inflation-limiting device. It, too, does not create wealth of itself; the marketeconomy arguments often associated with monetarism go back to Adam Smith. A Keynesian, of course, might

claim that his philosophy was wealth-creating. He would argue that a high expansion of money. supply would lower interest credit. At this stage it may be rates and produce an investment boom and subsequent and American governments growth. Yet Keynesian policies, should please copy, but at least in practice, never worked like Government economic stimu-

larion, in Anglo-Saxon econo mies anyway, has always been demand management, and monetarism is only the constric-tionary side of the Keynesian

TABLE 1 Money supply and its components in Japan 1974-77

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Both sides in the continuing coin. Yet the high interest rates associated with "tight money" do not simply limit demand they help choke some invest-ment projects, spread bank-ruptcies and shut-downs, and reduce economic supply,

British and American gov-ernments do not recognize the possibility (let alone accept the policy) of limiting demand-producing consumption credit while increasing supply-expanding investment credit. Successful foreign governments do just that. Table 2 shows the expansion in credit in the Japanese economy during recent years. Investment credit to industryalready running at an astounding 15 to 18 per cent of gross domestic product annually-continues to increase apace; credit is constrained.

The reason for the Japanese and West German economic miracles is that their financial system constrains the expansion of inflationary circulating consumption credit while stimulating the expansion of investment credit. At this stage it may be they could attempt to under-

In an article in The Times John Carrington) on July 17, 1976, it was pointed out that the big difference in business climate between Britain and Japan was the cash-flow cost of capital. In both countries, husinessmen are in business to make money, but financial conditions for investment are more favourable in Japan.

The reason for high levels of investment-credit business borrowing in Japan is that businessmen can get bank loans at 7 per cent repayment rates or so, which justifies many projects. In Japan, the capital is not generally repaid, so repayment rates equal interest rates.

In the United Kingdom, where two-year loans are the norm and (say) 20 per cent the interest rate on loans, business-men need to earn 65 per cent on investment projects to make money and clear cash-flow payfew projects are justified.
The monetarists and neoclassical economists who argue for free market forces to restore the viability of United Kingdom

industry, are therefore failing to understand the reality. If one company has access to bank borrowing at 7 per cent cash-flow cost while another has to pay 65 per cent cash-flow cost, one does not have to be a prophet to predict which company will survive and grow and which will collapse into decline. Japanese industry is not competing on equal terms with British companies; the former

has access to cheap expansion funds, the latter does not. A free market in this case collapses the economy with the less competitive financial-industrial structure. A proper understanding of the situation points the way to remedial action. It seems that, in all developed economies, the level of investment credit bor-rowing is inversely proportional

The reason appears to be that bankers calculate cash-flow cover on loans, and a reduction in the cash-flow cost of a loan causes a proportionate increase trial and infrastructure investing the total loan available; a ment—while limiting the lower repayment justifies a growth of finance to the prinlower repayment justifies a larger loan at the same level of repayment, and hence at the repayment, and hence at the same risk of default on the periodic payment. This finding cult due to the complex interperiodic payment interesting implication of flows of finance in an analysis of the complex interesting implication of flows of finance in an analysis of the complex interesting implication of flows of finance in an analysis of the complex interesting implication of the complex interesting interesting implication of the complex in tions for Britain.

Table 2 shows the annual

repayment rate associated with debt for bank loans at 20 per cent interest with terms of different years. Given the present average period of about two years, an indicative demand index of loans is also calculated on the assumption that the actual repayment level by industry to banks would remain at the same level.

The evidence indicates that annual industrial lending would approximately double if the loan period increased from two to five years. The additional borrowing would be used to modernize British plant and equipment, improving output and growth and helpfully reducing unemployment,

TABLE 2 Annual repayment rates for 20% for UK Repayment Repayment Demand

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bank lending to industry has a period of two years and an interest rate of 20%.

ever, should be in the actions of the United Kingdom Government for the secret of rapid economic development is to increase the ratio of financial resources going to the sources of economic supply-to induscipal sources of consumption

economy for money initially supplied for one purpose may flow through to another.

The rigours of company capital accounts may well ensure that an expansion of investment credit has its initial result in au increase in investment, but some of this money will inevi-tably find its way into the pockets of those workers who install the investment. (Mean-time, these investments should have increased supply prior to consumer demand.)

Investment expenditure also seems to involve firm-to-firm payments, which selectively increase business saving and investment in virtuous cycles of growth. Similarly an increase in wages may in some cases pro-duce a boom in consumer demand for certain products, and thus finance some addi-tional investment in their production.

simply because an increase in financial resources in certain sectors produces some side-effects is no reason to believe that the final conse-quences of these policies are similar. If financial resources are devoted to investment in the first instance, and this produces a subsequent boom in consumption, it seems inher-ently likely that the investment expenditure will exceed the consumption created.

Hence the accent of such a policy is on expansion first, and only produces some possible demand and inflation later; while if financial resources are devoted to producing a con-sumer boom, then only a small fraction of that finance will fund investment, and the accent is upon increasing demand before resources are in place to cope with it-this policy produces inflation first, and perhaps some investment later. (If the consumers buy imports, then the policy will not even produce domestic investment

If governments discriminate in allowing investment credit to expand while limiting the in growth of money supply consumers, then growth can be increased and inflation reduced

due to such a policy.

The Government should at least consider this policy; it represents a modification, an abandonment, of their monetarist beliefs, holds out hope of economic growth where warranted, and could help create a British investment boom despite the depressed state of United Kingdom industry.

George Edwards

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# Business Diary: Bob a job • Is Lord Beswick grounded?

aking steel again. Scholey, ief executive of the British eel Corporation, has not done uch in that line over the past weeks, but at last he has his

is nice to see Bob Scholey tion to Bridge, is again turning out steel. Two weeks ago the

It is now customary for a BSC man to sit on the Bridon board. Until now it has been mance.

This comes not dirrough an id to the BSC strike but rough Scholey's appointment the board of Bridon Limited, e Doncaster maker of steel are and a big customer of SC.

Bridon, the quoted private corporation, are joint on the board of a private steelworks. There are the steelworks. There are Bridon and three BSC scholey can have useful chats with Bridon chief executive to steelworks. There are the Bridon's pre-tax profits rose from £11.5m to £17.1m in 1978, despite the longy drivers' are steelworks.

One benefit of the Robert Mugabe landslide and of the political stability that is presumed to follow could be a big boost for Zimbabwe's custord Hugh Bidwell (right), chair-

High Bidwell (right), char-man of United Kingdom custard manufacturers Pearce Duff, told me yesterday that he had just returned from Kenya where he had been looking at the chances of starting a factory there. Once he found out I had just been to Zimbabwe he asked me more questions than I asked him and said he thought he him, and said he thought he would nip over to Salisbury to see if the custard making auguries were good. Bidwell is interested in mak-

ing the stuff in the Dark Conti-

nent because Africa and the Middle East are big custard markets. Between a fifth and Whither Lord Beswick now doing the rounds of the British Aerospace factories saying goodbye to the workers before

his successor as chairman, Esso's Dr Austin Pearce? Beswick is chuffed by the reception from the shop floor. He is getting little farewell prezzies from them as well as the more grandiose corporate

hands over this month to

gifts. The factories have grounds for being thankful to Lord Beswick, for during his four years in office he has been a steadfast believer in decentralization, although be denies it was "jobs for the boys": under his chairmanship.

Certainly, BAe has remained highly profitable in his charge, and has also veezed strongly they are asleep but they are ralking sense at the same time", he said yesterday.



a third of Pearce Duff turnover comes from exports. The Arabs, particularly the Saudis, eat custord during Ramadan and equate it with this festival just as much as we do Christmas with turkey or plum pud. Nearer home, Bidwell is busy organizing next month's annual conference of the Food Manufacturers' Federation. It is entitled Food for Growth.

towards Europe rather than the United States.
So what of the future for the former Frank Beswick, ex-Labour and Co-op MP and, before that, BOAC pilot? Some people in the British aircraft industry think he would make a good, solid chairman of Airbus Industrie, into which he took British Aerospace with a

20 per cent share. The present chairman is a part-timer Franz Josef Strauss, who would like to be full-time Chancellor of West Germany. There is a feeling that how ever Strauss does in the elecnon, Aubus needs a full-timer. In the meantime, Lord Beswick says he intends to frequent the Lords more than in the past. "It may look as if The appeal by the Trades Union Congress for cuts in some EEC farm prices and a freeze on the rest is embarrassingly at odds with the policy of one of its affiliated unions. The National Union of Agricultural and Allied Workers has been campaigning for months for a share for its members of any increase in farmers' incomes that results from EEC price

But if farmers' incomes were frozen or cut, as the TUC sug-gests, there would be nothing for farmers to share with their employees who are members of the NUAAW. What is even more embarrassing is that the NUAAW is about to consider claiming an interim wage rise on the grounds that the 21 per cent increase won last year has been eroded by inflation.

Jack Boddy, general secretary f the NUAAW, had little to say yesterday about a policy which appears to commit his union to asking farmers to pay higher wages while trying to deny them the resources for doing so.

He answered the question of whether his union supported the TUC stance by saying that the NUAAW had always opposed British membership of the EEC. Asked about his part in the debate of the general council in which the TUC decided to press for cuts and freezes, he said: "I made no comment "

Boddy added: "We would oppose any cuts in prices if the workers suffered as a result" The union's dilemma will be debated when its executive meets at the end of the month.

# Pitfalls of the shorter working week

a shorter working week contained in recent pay agreements shows that the trade unions' official campaign to reduce the standard week of manual workers from 40 hours to 35

hours is having an effect.

Even so, the reductions are far from the watershed for which Mr Terence Duffy, president of the Amalgamated Union of Engineering Workers, hoped when he led the bitter dispute that discussed industries. that disrupted industry for 10 weeks on this score last year. For a start, other unions have followed the example of settling for a staged reduction in hours with a delay n implementation. An analysis by Incomes Data Services of 14 agreements concluded in the last six months and incor-porating shorter hours shows that most provide for a delay.

In some agreements the post-

conement is relatively shortwithin, say, six months. In others the period between agreement and implementation is much longer, as with the engineers. Their agreement for a cut in the working week to 39 hours will not be implemented until November, 1981. A delay in implementation not only allows time for the detail to be negociated depending on local conditions (there is little point in working 15 minutes less a day only to spend

offset the cost.

it waiting for public transport); but it also gives employers a

chance to reorganize work to

tion to the TUC's aim of pro-extra cost.
viding more jobs. Equally they By the are probably not sufficient to justify the fears expressed by employers that overtime costs would soar.

height last year the Confedera-tion of British Industry calculated that if the 35-hour week had been introduced during the 1978-79 pay round it would have added between 5 and 71 per cent to retail prices.
It is highly unlikely that the modest reductions incorporated in recent agreements will have anything like such sweeping consequences. Moreover, in delaying the implementation,

When the debate was at its

resumption of economic growth will dilute the effects. The disadvantages of the step-by-step reduction in hours is that cumbersome supervisory machinery has to be set up to change work patterns by tiny

both sides are gambling that a

The arrangements for such negotiations are often exceedingly rusty. There have been only two other periods of free collective bargaining since 1966 and during most of the inter-vening period employers were able to block change on hours simply by stating that it would contravene government policy. There is a wide range of options in arranging even quite small cuts. The Post Office has

more experience than most of the tangle that can result. A special review enabled it to drop However, reductions on such the working hours for its engin-Ross Davies | a small scale are unlikely to eers to 371 per week in Decem-

A steady trickle of clauses for make any meaningful contribu- ber, 1978, provided there was no

By the time all the local agreements had been finalized a whole range of practices had come into operation. These in and hence production costs cluded 15 minutes late starting and early finishing; 40 per cent of staff on a nine-day fortnight at any one time; everyone having one day off in Not surprisingly there were problems in the early stages and both sides were inundated

with complaints. Over recent months, according to the Post Office Engineering Union, the new systems have begun to work better. But the Post Office's initial difficulties may discourage other employers from following its example. A much easier option for all concerned is that of longer holidays. The CBI's pay databank recorded in January that

nearly 40 per cent of new settlements contained clauses allowing longer holidays and that the trend was on the in-Unfortunately for the TUC's resolution, such a move is even less likely to result in more employment than a staged introduction of a shorter week.

For, as emergency three-day working in the winter of 1973-74 and the present steel strike shows, industry can make remarkable adjustments to abnormal conditions over a short period. As a result, most employers will be able to compensate for longer holidays without taking on extra staff.

Fatricia Tisdall



teg break with a difference at the Japan Style Exhibition which e Queen inaugurates at the V & A tonight. Val Kidd (left) and e Queen inaugurates at the V & A tonight. Val Kidd (left) and is Pettley are two of the men preparing the exhibition and were own a Japanese ceremonial brew-up by Birch (right), resident aster of the Urasenke Tea Foundation.

Stock markets

# Interest rate fears hit gold shares

The market adopted a cau-tious approach ahead of the bnking figures yesterday, although the general tone was

firm.

Gilts continued to mark time, with some small gains, bur trading was described as fairly light. Equities, too, were brighter, encouraged by reports that the steel talks at ESC that the steel talks at BSC were making some progress, although some of the more specialized sectors continued to take a beating.

Typical was mining, where the lower gold price resulting from fears of high worldwide

interest rates sent gold shares into retreat. Higher interest rates also had an adverse affect on commodity markets which have influenced the recent confidence seen in precious metals issues. Equines generally were a little firmer, reflecting on opti-mistic approach by the jobbers who decided to mark prices

This optimism however, failed to reach the investors who chose to wait on the sidelines until the budget is out of the way.

The announcement of the banking figures or interest bearing eligible liabilities (IBELS) proved to be more or less on target. Economists say the figures indicated, that money supply, being released next week, probably rose by about ! per cent to I per cent last

month. But, although this caused the market to breathe a sigh of relief, only small buying was encountered and as the prices were marked higher this soon

This was evident in gilts. where some small two-way trade pushed prices £\ higher in longs, before eventually closing only £\ stronger. Shorts encountered some activity after the announcement, but this also at 382p and Ultramar 8p stron-fizzled out, leaving rises of ger at 498p. But BP, with

around £3/16 on the day.

The tone was also generally firmer elsewhere in after hours which helped the FT Index to finish at the top with a rise of 3.3 at 455.6.

at £11,500 for a pair of seats for five years to 1985 look cheap given future rising costs.
Against this year's normal
booking price of £1,850 for a
pair it might look expensive,
but then the price for 1980 is
almost five years old.

gold shares, where the fall of \$17 to \$568.50 in the bullion price again undermined confidence. The London mining finance houses were the worst hit, with Cons. Gold tumbling

hit, with Cons. Gold rumbing 79p to 498p.

RTZ shed 10 p to 385p and despite full-year figures on target. De Beers shed 50 cents to \$91. The heavier-priced gold shares were also hit with West Driefontein \$51 off at \$68, Randfontein \$81 to \$651, Anglo American \$5½ to \$65½, Anglo American \$5½ to \$76½ an F. S. Geduld \$6½ to \$51½. Among the cheaper-priced shares, UCI fell \$1 to \$12½, Middle Witts 16p to 460p and Stilfontein \$1½ to \$14½.

"Aussian" also

. Aussies " also came in for a further pounding following their sharp serback earlier in the week in Syney with Western Mining 6p off at 213p, MIM Holdings 5p lower at 240p and Otter eased 2p to 81p. Oils held fairly stable after their recent scare over an intheir recent scare over an in-crease in PRT with Shell 6p up

360p. Shares of Viking returned from suspension after a counter 3.3 at 455.6.

Leading industrials were mostly firmer for choice, but turnover remained fairly thin. Unilever gained 4p to 440p, and ICI at 372p, Glaxo at 248p and Beechams at 125p, all added 2p. Most attention was focused on Stockbroking tennis fans say the new All England Lawn Tennis and Croquet Debentures at 11500 for a pair of seats bidder against Deminex of Germany. Sun Co. are bidding

a lift to property shares which have been sadly neglected. Land Securities advanced 9p to 302p, Bradford Property 3p to 180p, still on the back of press comment, while MEPC at 204p and Haslemere at 308p both showed rises of 6p on small properties. persistent buying.

Among companies reporting figures, Ductile Steels rose 3p to 93p and J. Bibby were 2p higher at 160p but Johnson Group Cleaners slipped 4p to Parker Knoll continued to

reflect its recent trading statement, advancing a further 12p to 122p, while Turner & Newall, reporting today, Newall, reporting today, climbed 4p to 126p.

Furness Withy expanded 5p to 371p in shipping ahead of approach to his new duties con-

the formal offer document from mained nervous sliding 4p to C. Y. Tung expected today.

Shares of Viking returned 170p on the back of the announcement that S. & W. Berisford, itself unchanged at 153p, had taken a near 10 cent stake. But the board of S. & W. Berisford were at pains to point out that this was not the prelude to a full-scale bid.

> surrounded Status Discount, up 4p at 70p, on hopes that MFI was about to bid.
> Shares of Johnson Matthey tumbled 14p to 281p, coinciding with the latest fall in the ing with the latest ran in the price of most precious metals on the commodity market.
> Furniture group, B. Ferleman called in the receivers yesterday immediately suspended the shares at 164p.

Speculative interest surrounded Status Discount.

In electricals, Racal continued to tread the thin line as the share slipped 2p to 209p. This at which the cash alternative for Decca holders becomes more attractive than the shares offered by Racal. Meanwhile, Decca retreated 3p to 610p as the "A" shed 1p to 511p. BSR rose 1p to 34p ahead of figures due this week which are expected to show a heavy downtinues to inspire Rhodesian Bonds where the Southern Rhodesia 21 per cent. 65.70, climbed 53 to 5135, while the 43 per cent, 87-92, at £77 and the 6 per cent, 78-81, at £147

held steady.

The better - than - expected figures from insurance brokers Sedgwick Forbes Bland Payne,

Full-year projits from Tricen-trol on Thursday week should be up from £8m pre-tax to £22m, or even more given the aggressive way it has been playing the spot oil market recently. So it is selling on 13 times earnings prospectively at 295p and that looks set to halve in 1980 as the Thistle Field builds up, while the group's acquisitive ambitions are underlined by its plans for a North Ameri-

4p up at 96p, provided a firm feature for the rest of the sec-tor. Other natables included C. E. Heath, up 2p at 200p and C. T. Bowring, up by a similar amount at 133p.

Equity turnover on March 10 was £90.774m (16,024 bargains).

Active stocks yesterday, according to the Exchange Telegraph, were RTZ, Lasmo, Shell, BP, Consolidated Gold Fields, Burbane Lasmo, Shell, Br. ham and Ultramar.

#### Latest results

Int or Fin 5m

J. Bibby & Sons (F) 188.0(167.0)

City & Com Invst (F) —(—)

De Beers Cas Ma (F) —(—)

Ductile Steel (1) 37.38(33.74)

S. W. Farmer (2) per share 32.7(25.8) <u>Em</u> 9.71(8.40) total 6.25(3.26) - 6.25(3.26)
31/3 2.5(2.03)
- 72.5(65.0)
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2/5 -(7.0) 205.7(205.0) 114.6(88.8) 110.6b (115.6b) 17\_9b(14.4b) 52.5c(44.0b) 65.0b(—) 2.12(2.12) -(7.0)
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6.2(5.0)
4.02(2.51)
5.9(4.6)
5.0(2.7) —(—) 25.4(22.4) 27.8(21.2) 7.87(8.55) 5.11(4.6) Johnson Grp (F)
Pentos (F)
Rosedimond Invt (F) 1.19(1.09) 4.0(3.3) 4.0(4.0) 0.34(0.27) Rosentmond invt (F) — (—) 0.34(0.27) 5.11(4.6) 3.45(2.5) 30/4 5.9(4.6) Sedgwick Forbes (F) 129.8(124.1) 47.5(50.9) 11.4(10.7) 3.0(1.7a) — 5.0(2.7) Dividends in this table are shown net of tax on pence per share. Elsewhere in Business News dividends are shown on a gross basis. To establish gross multiply the net dividend by 1.428. Profits are shown pre-tax and earnings are net. a, adjusted for scrip; b, rand & cents.

#### Reed offers £9m for LPP minority

By Richard Allen Reed International is to bid 55 a share for the 52.8 per cent of London and Provincial Poster Group that it does not already.

own.

The agreed terms announced by Reed last night compare with a suspension price of 289p for London and Provincial at the beginning of this mouth and put a total value of around £9m on

the deal.

The acquisition is to be effected through a scheme of arrangement and Reed is considering the possibility of issuing a short-dated loan note alternative to the cash offer.

At the same time, London & Provincial shareholders will be arrived to the cash offer. entitled to receive a second interim dividend of 10p net, which the group intends to announce for the year to Decem-

Figures for that year released by London & Provincial, but subject to final audit, show pre-tax profits of not less than 54.3m compared with £3m in 1978. Directors who are recom-mending the takeover to shareholders are to accept in respect of their holdings amounting to just over 2 per cent of the

Reed, which has no trading links with London & Provincial said last night that it intends the group to continue to operate as a separate entity and that the acquisition should a not of itself a create any redundancies itself "create any redundancies.

Formal documents are to be posted to shareholders as soon as possible.

British Tar Products: On conver-sion of their holdings of 10½ per cent third, convertible unsecured loan stock, 1992, the National Coal Board Pension Funds has acquired 1.12m ordinary shares, making a holding of 1.53m ordin-ary shares (8.85 per cent).

# Sun Company tops **Deminex** bid for Viking Oil

The new suitor is American oil and gas group Sun Company and Viking shareholders are being offered £4 in cash or loan notes and one royalty unit for cash offer.

notes and one royaty unit for every share.

This is an increase of £1 a share on the Deminex terms.

Viking shares, which are traded under rule 163(3) on the stock market, rose almost 100p to close at £10.20, their high point of the day, suggesting that speculators expect a further offer. Last night the merchant bankers, S. G. Warburg, which are advising Deminex, did not rule out the possiiblity of another counter-bid and said that the German oil company was "considering its position"

The Viking directors have The Viking directors have a bid.

By Alison Mitchell

The shares of Viking Oil were requoted yesterday following a widely anticipaated counter-bid to the Deminex offer.

The new suitor is American withdrawn their recommendation of the Deminex bid are now backing Sun. How they admit that the packages are virtually the board will a tical, the board will a

· Holders of 30 per cent

#### Ductile fears a downturn when steel strike ends

Ductile Steels, the special steel re-roller and stockholder, is weathering industrial trouble comfortably. But it fears a downswing in demand once fulltime working is restored, though a maintained total divi-

dend this year is likely. In the 26 weeks to December 29 turnover rose by nearly 11 per cent to £37.38m and pretax profits by more than 15 per cent to £2.37m. But for the engineering strike these would probably have been about £3m. Yesterday the shares rose 3p to 93p.

The increase in profits was brought to a halt at the end of

January. Most subsi-stopped trading after th and Steel Trades Confede executive called out the sector as part of their c So profits this year h

June could well be only so compared with £5. 1977-78. The interim is 2.12p net or 3.03p gross The final should be 4.8 again, or 6.98p gross, and be strongly covered by ea Ductile thinks that it ducts are specialized, an its motor component cus have not been last. But fear a downturn in the becycle.

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By Michael Prest Johnson Group,

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rial clothing company, in-

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market was disappoints marked the shares down

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about the same as Ske the arch-rival, and far

In addition Johnson

about 1,000 small shops which it earns income

rents and property sales

areas of business are towels, and industrial

both chiefly rental busi Mr John Crockatt, the pany's chairman, says be

growing fast, but he do to say how much they buted.

The latest figures do

however, that two reacquired companies, and Counties Laundrie

James Hayes made profits of 5401,000 and Etc.

The income from real

of properties last year £399,000, compared £597,000 in 1978. But

interest charges, largely ming from the companies

investments over the pasi

years, will show through ticularly heavily in the half of 1980 and the co

expects to sell more proj

A second interim di of 6.29p gross has declared, making 8.86p fi year, an increase of 22.

cent. The shares yield 5

to offset the charges.

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respectively.

Johnson's other two

of the rest.

#### Briefly •

Immediate prospects for Kode International must be clouded by the uncertain economic climate, but the board "has sufficient confidence in the future of the comdence in the future of the counpany... to maintain investment
policies and thus ensure further
growth "chairman Mr W. D.
Tudor confirms in his annual statement. This confidence is reinment. This confidence is rein-forced by an increase in the order book compared with a year ago,

Prudential Pensions: In January, 1980, funds under management passed the £500m mark and at February 20 they stood at £527m. During the twelve months to December 19, 1979, the value of the funds increased from £384m to £485m.

YEARLING BONDS: The London horough of Camden is raising fim by an issue of 16? per cent bonds, repayable at 100 on March 18, 1981. The GLC is raising £2.5m by an issue of 16; per cent bonds, March 18, 1981.

Rea Brothers, the merchant bank crs, report group profit for 1979 tafter all expenses and current tax and after making a transfer to inner reserves) rose from £451,000 to £601,000. The total gross divi-dend is being raised from 2.4p to 2.85p and one-for-three scrip issue

FURNESS, WITHY: Dolphin Investments has acquired 26,250 shares at 371p and 7,500 shares at 372p, making a holding of 2.81m shares (10.52 per cent). Helix Investments has acquired 8.750 shares at 371p and 2,500 shares at 372p, making a holding of 959,882 shares (3.58 per cent). (3.58 per cent).

Nortolk Capital: Mr Maxwell Joseph's Norfolk Capital Group has exchanged contracts for the sale of the 59 bedroom Eros Hotel in London for just over £700,000. The buyer is the private group. Chrysanta which recently bought five London hotels from Grand Metropolitan.

Hamilborne: A statement is expected at the end of this week from the small brick-making group, Hamilborne, whose shares were suspended at a 12-month peak of 86p yesterday pending talks which could materially change the business. Chairman Mr Graham Ferguson Lacey is believed to be injecting energy-related to the property of the company where he assets into the company where he has a near 53 per cent stake.

Tomkinsons Carpets: Mrs Margaret Johnston Tomkinson is interested in 212,000 ordinary shares of Tomkinsons Carpets, being 7.46 per cent of the issued capital. The holding of the late Eric F. Tomkinson of 162,000 shares (5.7 per cent) was transferred in total to Mrs J. Tomkinson, who form-erly held 50,000 shares.

Hoover: "We view the prospects for 1980 with caurious optimism. We have new products to introduce to the market in 1980 and we are determined to use all our marketing skills to combat competition. If we can avoid supply interruptions, we can strengthen our position in the market and create a sounder base for the future prosperity of the company and all its perity of the company and all its employees "—Mr M. R. Rawson, chairman of Hoover, in his annual

#### **Options**

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Business remained at low levels among traded optoins yesterday where total contracts fell from 559 to 483. Oil shares held the spotlight, boosted by the forthcoming full-year fig-ures from BP tommorrow. BP itself accounted for 101 contracts of which the April 400p series proved popular as the share price dipped 4p to 360p. Shell attracted 121 contracts which were fairly well spread throughout the list.

Traditional options also eqcountered dull conditions with a "put" being arranged in Ultramar and "doubles" in Ultramar and Siebens, John Brown, Town & City, Burmah, EP, Coral, Charterball, Amal Estates and

# Pentos profits static at £4m

many books cost Pentos most of its profits growth last year.

The worst performance came in the mass market children's books division, which is being reduced by about a fifth, and the publishing division did little more than break even. Chairman Mr Terence Maher says that it will probably take two years to get the division back on an even keel.

The increase in interest charges, coupled with steppedup borrowings also took a toll and 1979 pretax profits rose only marginally from £4m to £4.08m on sales up £15m to The bookselling side is con-tinuing to improve and the number of outlets is likely to

held profits growth from this side down to around 12 per



which is the group's second increase from 34 shops to over largest profit earner, also improved, although Mr Maher, However, start-up costs

Mr T. A. Maher, chairman of

from the directors and share-holders of recently taken over Caplan after a failore achieve forecast profit levels and the over-statement of assets in prior years. The group is now involved in talks with the advisers to the deal and expects a further substantial payment. Borrowings at the end of 1979 were about £11m—an increase of £5.5m on the previous period of which some E2m was used in the consolidation of Caplan

The current year has started reasonably well in all divisions and Mr Maher underlined his confidence by raising the full year dividend by 60 per cent to

00. However, start-up costs proved, although Mr Maher, 5.75p gross.

eld profits growth from this admits that margins have been The shares, unchanged at 61p jet squeezed.

The engineering division, cent and trade at 7.7 times fully The garden and leisure side, which lost about £200,000 dur-diluted earnings.

The debt to shareholders'

funds ratio at December 31 was 23 per cent (1978: 41 per cent).

fall in production at Platin in

the first half of the year but that "all other operations, excepting Van Neerbos, per-formed well, with the invest-ments made abroad in the past

two years contributing up to

expectations. The effect in total

Approval has been granted for the listing on the Toronto

Stock Exchange of the convert-

ible and common shares of

International Thomson Organi-

sation together with deposit receipts representing the related

convertible and common shares

It is expected that the shares will be listed and posted for trading on March 13. Dealings

on the London Stock Exchange will continue to be in shares of

International Thomson Organi-

of Thomson British Holdings.

#### Cement-Roadstone up 33 pc share. The total dividend is covered 2.85 times.

Cement-Roadstone Holdings, leading Irish suppliers of building materials with interests in the United Kingdom and overseas, have announced a 33 per cent increase in pretax profit from IR£18.1m to IR£24.1m for the year to end-December 1979. This record result—more than

#### International

16 per cent from 11.87p to 13.74p.

# Sanyo looks for 33pc rise

Japan says it expects net income in the year ending Nov-ember 30 to increase by about 33 per cent to 28.50bn yen from 21.99bn last year.

26.31. The company expected improvement mainly to anticipated higher overseas sales and 323.29bn.

#### Opposition to a Sime bid Malaysia's Negri Sembilan one way or another.

state government would look with "disfavour" at any with "disfavour" at any attempt by Sime Darby to take-over the London-based Guthrie Corporation, the state's chief minister, Mr Rais Yatim, said

Any deal that resulted in partial or total sale of land in Negri Sembilan must be done in consultation with the state government, he added.

However, he did not state

## **Interest aids Robeco profit**

The fund is proposing a higher dividend at FI9 per share up from FI8 in 1978. The dividend s being paid on a larger share

Robeco reported that total

Slowdown for Rabobank The Dutch Rabobank agricultural cooperative banking system expects slower profit quoted Dutch banks were: growth this year after a 21 per cent rise in net profit last year, the chairman, Pierre Lardinois, mene Bank Nederland NV up

equipment.
The company reported earlier 1 ne company reported earlier
a 14.9 per cent rise in net
income in the year ended last
November 30 to 21.39bu yen
from 18.62bn in 1978, on sales
up 14.3 per cent to 754.10bn
from 659.39bn. Earnings per
share rose to 28.81 yen from
26.31 Domestic sales rose 16.5 per

Any deal that resulted in partial or total sale of land in Negri Sembilan must be done

However, he did not state yesterday.

He told reporters that Guthrie what the state government had some 75,000 acres of land would do to prevent such a in Negri Sembilan state alone takeover and observers said and one-fifth of the populace there was very little the state was connected with Guthrie in government could do.

Robeco, the Dutch Mutual per cent to F111.8m. This last Fund, says that high interest income in 1979 helped boost its profit level to F1228m for a year-to-year rise of 11 per cent costs of renewing share certification.

The board is recommending double the 1976 profit—was a final dividend of 2.80p per achieved on group sales up 49 per cent from IR£173.4m to IR£258.3m.

Net profit after tax was increase over 1978 of 26.4 per 186.25 per cent from 18.25 per cent from 18. IRE23m-a rise of 38 per cent. cent. Together with the imputed Earnings per share, taking tax credit, the total dividend is into account the issues of share equivalent to a gross dividend has been to maintain the steam capital in 1979, increased by for the year of 6.6p per ordinary profit growth of the group."

#### has been to maintain the steady Int Thomson Organisation

Sales are expected to rise about 13 per cent to 850.00bn yen from 754.10 bn last year, it said.

Robeco's total net assets, before appropriation of Fi 4.145bn against Fi4.206bn in 1978. The net asset value of one

# Robeco reported that total share of the fund amounted to income rose by 11 per cent to F1167, up from F1163 in the F1239m while expenses rose 20 previous fiscal period.

In comparison, the 1979 mene Bank Nederland NV up told a press conference.

The Rabobank operations raised nat profit to Fi330m from 273m in 1978.

mene Bank Nederland NV up 0.7 per cent to Fi273.2m and Nederlandsche Middenstandsbank NV up 25 per cent to Fi157m.

#### ing the strike, also improved its performance and the con-struction side also turned in record results. Peutos has recovered £750,000 S W Farmer

Family-controlled structural steelworker S. W. Farmer has managed to cope so far with the steel strike and although 1980 promises to be tough, the group expects to make further pro-

gress. Profits in the year to December 31 rose by 9.9 per cent to £1.19m before tax on turnover up by 13.6 per cent to £13.8m. With export business accounting for half of group turnover, Farmer has some protection from recession on the construction side. The group is also broadening its base by expand-

ing its services division. Services, which include crane and cabin hire, contributed all for Standard Life the increase in 1979 profits, while steel profits were static.

Now accounting for a quarter of group profits, services will be enlarged by the recent acquisi-tion of E. A. Roper which produces foundry equipment and about £1m pre tax profit. Roper cost £815,000, of which £315,000 was satisfied by Far-The directors said that the profitability of Irish Cement was badly affected by a shortmer shares and the rest in guaranteed loan notes carrying interest four points below Midland Bank base rate.

#### Morgan Grenfell to expand advisory side

Morgan Grenfell Holdings is to expand its Advisory Council which will in future be known as the International Advisory Council, reflecting the role which it will play in the continuing international expansion of the group. Lord Cano, chairman of Morgan Greufell, will

man of Morgan Greufell, will become chairman of the council. Messrs J. E. H. Collins, J. Krazijeveld van Hemert, and S. Miyake will join Sir Kenneth Barrington, Monsieur Alexandre Hay, Lord O'Brien of Lothbury, and Lord Teylor of Gryfe, existing members of the council. After 53 years' service with the group, Sir Wilfred Hill-Wood has resigned from the council has the counci but will remain an adviser to the company.

Mr D. W. Kendrick, general manager responsible for the over-seas division of Lloyds Bank, has been made a director of Grindlays. Bank and of Grindlays Holdings. This follows the death of Mr E. O. L. Vaughan in February.

By Rosemary Unsworth
The directors of B. Fertleman

B Fertleman suspended

#### sation, to which are attached the related shares of Thomson British Holdings. **Business** appointments RCA to boost research

RCA Corporation of United States says it plans to raise both research and development and its capital spending this year. Funds would go to research consumer electronics. solid state satellites and "selectuavision" operations. Shareholders were told that

research and development spending increased by 23.4 per cent in 1979 and "we anticipate another sizable increase in 1980." The Corporation listed Mr R. Scholey has been appointed a director of Bridon. Mr D. G. S. Wazerstone has resigned from the board.

Mr Clive Hutton has been appointed managing director of Mr Clive Hutton has been appointed managing director of Comdell Plastics.

Mr W. D. Tudor, chairman of Kode International, is to retire this year. He will be succeeded by Mr Terry Darlow. Mr Tudor will continue as a non-executive director until the end of the year. Mr R. A. Noakes and Mr N. C. Marshall have become assistant general managers at Midland Bank International. 1979 corporate research costs at \$76.6m up from \$63m a year

#### Weeks Petroleum

Weeks Peuroleum of Connecticut and its subsidiaries had a turnover from oil and gas of \$17.0m for the year ended December 31, 1979, compared with S13.9m for the previous year.
Pretax income was \$10.394m (\$7.649). A dividend in respect of 1979 of 3.15 Australian cents per share (1978 3.15 Aus cents) has been paid to holders of convertible deferred shares. The directors of the state o The directors do not intend to recommend a dividend on the

CITY & COMMERCIAL INVEST-MENT TRUST: Net revenue, after all charges, for year to January 31, £396.000 (£480,000). Total divi-dend raised from 3.02p to 3.5p

ordinary shares.

#### **Tisbury Brewery Exports** help 10 pc share placing increase at

old brewery near Salisbury, valued at £70,000, as its major asset. The company plans to brew 30 barrels of "real ale" a week for sale to free houses

derwritten and gross proceeds of the placing should amount to £132,000 if fully subscribed. If the venture is successful, an application will be made to the Stock Exchange for the shares to be listed under Rule

Standard Life, the EEC's largest mutual life assurance company, reports another record year for new business —the thirty-fourth running. New annual premiums for the year to November 15, 1979, were up by a tenth. Total funds now amount to £2.55bn.

Vickers compensation

payment ties of Vickers Shipbuilding

# US takeover

Oxfordshire-based Dubilier Ltd. has conditionally agreed to buy the Flight Connector Corp. of California, which manufacturers connectors for aerospace and defence applications. SKr3,267m last year.

New director for Grindlays Bank

appointed managing director of Brown Shipley Fund Manage-

executive director with respon-sibility for claims and adminis-tration at C. E. Heath & Co. Mr R. L. Macro becomes director and Mr P. M. Spicer becomes assistant director.

Mr A. W. A. Spiegelberg has

been appointed company secretary of Greenall Whitley & Co, on the retirement through ill health of Mr Arthur Anderson.

Mr L. C. T. Cottrell is joining the board of directors of Estates Property Investment

Mr Brian Robiuson, formerly financial director of Wolf Electric Tools, has been appointed managing director. Mr Noel

year the pre-tax loss amounted to £537,000 and the last

within a 30-mile radius. The issue has not been un-

### Another peak year

Bonus declarations on both individual and group contracts have also reached a new record. The total distributed worldwide was £84.7m, compared with £56.5m in the previous year.

The Bank of England reports that in accordance with the Aircraft and Shipbuilding Industries Act, 1977, an issue of about £3.67m of 10 per cent Exchequer stock, 1983, has been made as a further payment on account of compensation in account of compensation in respect of the unquoted securi-

# Dubilier's £1m

Mr Derham C. O'Neill has been Scottorn, formerly

Tring Hall Securities is calling for subscriptions for 125,000 £1 shares at £1.05p a share in a new brewery company, which will specialise in traditional beer.

The Tisbury Brewery Company should start trading in about four weeks and has an old brewery pear Salisbury.

The basic cost of the acquisition will be \$2.5m (£1.1m). The purchase contract is conditional for the year to February 29 last. Flight's pre-tax profits for the year are expected to be in about 54.5m. Net tangible assets are expected to be of assets are expected to be of the order of \$1m.

#### B&H to sell Crake Scar

Burnett and Hallamshire Holdings is to sell Crake Scar Opencast for £558,000 cash to Mr W. Stonebank (a director of Crake Scar), reduced by a payment of £183,000 in respect deferred consideration.

Following completion of the sale of Crake, Northern Strip Mining (another subsidiary of Burnett) will acquire from Crake at a cost of £210,000 two Caterpillar excavators (with a book value of £275,000) presently hired elsewhere within the Burnett group.

#### Thermal Syndicate buys US firm

Thermal Syndicate

through its United States hold-

ing company, Thermal Syndicate Inc, acquired Refractory Welding and Fabrication of Houston, Texas, which produces similar products to Thermal's Sub-Special Metals (Fabrication) of Rochford, Essex. Both firms manufacture heat exchangers, vessels and other components from corrosionresistant metals. The companies are operating in an expanding market, the largest portion of which is in the United States, so that the acquisition of RWF will give the group a foothold in this market.

#### **Bofors advances**

Pretax profits for Bofors, the Swedish armaments, steel and chemicals concern, increased by more than 50 per cent last year. Pretax earnings were SKr176m (about £18.5m) compared with SKr117m the year before. Sales were up from SKr2,788m in 1978 to

pared with SKr117m the year before Sales were up from SKr2,788m in 1978 to		Monthly Lotal 1979-80	Cume lative total 1979-80	
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director, retains his position as managing director of Wolf Electric Tools (Holdings).	Full year Forect Repay	rment	9,564"	_

as company secretary and is succeeded by Mr E. Kentish.
Mr P. A. Lavington has been made joint managing director of Purnell & Sons with Mr Donald McIntosb. Mr Brian Redhead has joined the board of World Wide Pictures.

Tools (Holdings).	
Mr R. J. G. Williams is to become chairman of Britannic	BANK FIG
Assurance Company in succession to Mr John F. Jefferson in April. Mr A. K. Brown and Mr D. J. White have been appointed man-	The following are the habilities and reserve United Kingdom banks Bank of England yester
aging directors of Cater Ryder.  Mr P. D. Northall-Laurie retires as company secretary and is	Eligible Ro Jigblittes m £000m an
succeeded by Mr E. Kentish. Mr P. A. Lavington has been made joint managing director of	April 47,510 May 48,409 June 48,988

# Mr Melvin Cox has been appointed a director of Pyke (Holdings).

Bank statements for February Statements of the London Clearing Banks and their banking subsiding England and Wales, the Channel Islands and the isle of Man 1 up to February 20 are summarized in the table below.

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•	manufacturer of modern and reproduction furniture.	£209,000 loss despite a series of management changes. The	Total deposits 72	.637 + 21		14.191	14,478	21.870	
•	for the company's shares to be	chairman, Mr John Swan-	Market loans	.403 —-5	438	243	305	586	
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	appoint a receiver.  The company, which employs more than 300 people, started	financial basis, with a more critical approach to certain	Peront Banks 37.	.342 -46 .501 + 38	10,829	158 6.210	8.393	10.889	
•	to run into losses in 1978. Last	accounting policies.	Reserve ratio( 'e)	12.8 +0.	12.9	12.6	13.2	12.6	-

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# INANCIAL NEWS AND MARKET REPORTS

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Peter Wilson-Smith large increase in profits in the agricultural division secough to see J. Bibby to lifth consecutive year of ord profits in 1979, despite smaller committee from industrial side.

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n 1980 the balance will nge. Agriculture may do no ter than hold its own while industrial side may see the recovery from edible oils. improvement from paper; another year of record his should be assured by group's expansion into dical supplies with the ac-sition of the remaining 60

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deal looks a good one. ibby's increase in 1979 its was achieved despite the its was achieved despite the isport and engineering tes which cost about £450,000 ost profit. Most painful was transport strike which sed a five week closure in edible oils business and was alor reason behind its poor lits.

re-interest profits were over fth lower at £980,000. The ence of strikes should ensome recovery here in 1980 it is likely to be tough in with customers in the retailing trade de-stocking warring over prices.

Isewhere in the industrial sion, the paper business in showed a small rise in profits should do better year now rid of the loss-

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#### Wall Street

New York. March 11.—Stocks continued to advance along a wide front in heavy trading this morning. Much of the gain appeared to be a spillover from yesterday's late raily, which crased part of an early decline.

early decline.

Analysis said traders are still witing for President Carter's much heralded plan to combat inflation but for the moment are snapping un bargains created by the market's three-week decline.

The Dow Jones industrial average was up more than five points, while advances outscored declines by better than a two-to-one margin. March 10: The Dow Jones indus-trial average closed 1.62 points down at \$18.94.

Silver: 80c limit losses New York, March 10.—Comex silver futures nois limit loases of 8th invough the session in a market simous the same to be seen to be s

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#### **Commodities**

#### Discount market

To relieve a continuing shortage in the discount market, the Bank of England gave small scale help by purchasing Treasury bills and local authority bills, both from banks and houses, and by lending overnight to two or three houses at MLR.

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Foreign exchange report

Sterling recouped some recent
lost ground yesterday finishing
1.05 cents ahead at 2.2270 compared with 2.2165 overnight while
its trade weighted index improved
0.3 pts at the final calculation of
72.2 (overnight 71.9).

The United States dollar recovered from initial profit taking that stemmed from fresh uncertainty about the fate of the Iranian hostages, but it was mainly

central bank participation that forced the dollar lower. With this influence withdrawn later on, a good rally ensued. The D mark, one plennig firmer at one stage, closed lower against the dollar at 1.8097 (1.8090). A similar trend was seen in the Swiss frant lower on balance at 1.73275 (1.7305). French francs 4.2350 (4.2275) closed on offer but the ven hard-ened in dollar terms to 246.615 from 247.50 previously. lost ground yesterday finishing 1.05 cents ahead at 2,2270 com-pared with 2,2165 overnight while pared with 2.2165 overnight while its trade weighted index improved 0.3 pts at the final calculation of 72.2 (overnight 71.9). The United States dollar re-covered from initial profit taking that stemmed from fresh uncer-tainty about the fate of the Iran-ian hostages, but it was mainly

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he interim dividend has been raised from 4% to 10%, tayable on 3rd April, 1980. In the half-year ended 30th ieptember, 1979, rurnover increased from £22,315,445 to 23,242,573 and trading profit from £267,716 to £381,675. After taxation of £198,471, against £139,212, and profit of 3,043 on sale of fixed assets, against £26,341, net profit or the half-year was £186,247, against £154,845. Profit retained increased from £150,420 to £173,953, earnings per there rising from 6.2p to 7.4p. here rising from 6.2p to 7.4p.

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### **Conversions** can be good propositions

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A successful conversion of the one who converts it.

and its fine adjacent barn in Vale Lane, Haslemere. planning consent exists for the conversion of the two properties into a house with three reception rooms, a study and four bedrooms, Braxtons, of Battle. which would have a partly walled garden of about a quarter of an acre, although separate paddock might also be available.

The cottage is built of rendered brick and stone, part weatherboarded, and barn is timber framed with stone and brick foundations. Both have clay tiled roofs. The whole property is expecty requiring only minor ted to make between £50,000 and £60,000 and the sale is through Messenger, May Beaverstock, of Haslemere.

Another straightforward can sometimes produce a subject is the garage and unique home of character, stable block which has bereflecting the personal ideas come available as the result of the sale of Hill House, at One good subject offering Crowhurst, near Battle, in

considerable potential for Sussex. Construction here is conversion in what might be of brick and tile and plancalled the traditional manner ning consent exists for its is Houndless Water Cottage conversion into a two-bedroomed cottage. In addition, there is a range of brick and Surrey. The small cottage tile stabling and stores. The has five rooms, but outline garden runs to about threequarters of an acre. A price guide of about £30,000 is suggested and the agents are Savills, of London, and

Interesting, too, are Blue-bird and Cherry Blossom Cottages, in Piggery Hall Lane, West Wittering near Chichester, also in Sussex. This is a pair of single-storey cottages, one of which is habitable and the other derelict. Bluebird, the habitable. one, has a sitting room, twobedrooms and a bathroom, while Cherry Blossom has a sitting room and two bedrooms. Both properties have medium sized gardens.

The pair are due for next month through auction Jackson-Stops and Staff, of Chichester, for something over £15,000.

Someone who would like to tackle a really far out subject amid other, residential pro- over £50,000.



Winchester, Hampshire: Martyr Worthy Place, near elegance and space for about £185,000.

might be interested in a disused water tower close to the junction of the A40 and M40 roads, just to the north of Uxbridge Common. A planning application for a change submitted to the Hillingdon Borough Council. It stands on a site of about 11 acres.

perties. Built of red brick, the walls are 21ft thick at the base, with internal measurements of about 29ft by 29ft. The height of the whole building to a crenelto residential use has been lated parapet is about 70ft. The property is to be sold by tender through Savills and is farmhouse which was con-expected to fetch something siderably extended in later

About the same price will purchase a fine brick and tile house. barn-at Farnham, near Saxmundham, in Suffolk, which is being sold with nearly four acres of land.

The barn is part of a cluster of buildings, formerly part of the Farnham Hali-Estate. About 100 years old, it has two adjoining wings and totals about 2,214 sq ft. In addition, there are further ranges of buildings. At present the property is being offered with planning permission for conversion to two dwellings, and a revised planning application would have to be submitted to convert the buildings into a single residence. The agents are The James Abbott Partnership, of Wickham Market, near Woodbridge, Suffolk.

Very much in the country house tradition is Martyr Worthy Place, near Winchester, Hampshire, in the Itchen Valley. The property is believed to have originated from an eighteenth-century years to form the present with two suites of living

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Main accommodation

Somewhat similar

Home Farm, at Pyrford, near Woking, Surrey. The house is

modern, but partly moated

and is thought to be on the site of an older manor. It

study, a main bedroom and

bathroom suite and five fur-

ther bedrooms. In addition,

there is a cottage annexe

has two reception rooms,

bathroom. A range of inand a tackron round two sig yard bounded cludes a large entrance hall, two reception rooms, a moruing room, study, a main bedon the third room and bathroom suite which runs in and four further bedrooms. includes four There is also a self-contained adjoins the housekeeper's flat on the second floor, and a staff wing canal. The sal lohn German I to one side of the main house London, and with its own separate entrance. Gardens and grounds run to about 91 acres and include a partly

proportioned.

and Co of Wo Also with pic modarion, but i modernization House at Sussex. It is house, built of tile-hung and is

walled formal garden of about an acre and a paddock. A price of about £185,000 is being asked through Pearsons, of Winchester, and John D. Wood. Ashdown Fores two main recep available at about £180,000 is study and five of good size, be cellar playroc there are and and other outbi gardens are ma clude a numbe shrubs and free is £67,500 and th Taylor and Tes Grinstead.



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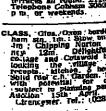
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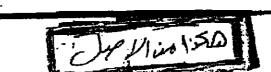
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When I tell you they are joined by the always beautiful usually brilliant Kate Nelligan (as Therese), you are tiled to expert an experience that falls short only of the tled to expert an experience that falls short only of the nic. I very much doubt if you will be disappointed. ainly, you can have no idea what a display of simmering cism awaits you, how violently it is going to erupt and how minable the wait is going to seem until episode two. there is no good historical evidence that King Arthur ever ted, as Michael Wood tells us tonight in the second of his pulsively watchable films (BBC 2, 7.45), why bother about g in search of him? The answer, of course, is that the nurian riddle is only a tiny element in the vast and infinitely idating Dark Ages puzzle of what happened in Britain veen the Roman sunset and the bloody Anglo-Saxon dawn, tonbury's Arthurian knick-knack industry (and Tintagel's Wales's, come to that) is not going to like Mr Wood's tive findings, but their loss is Cumbrie's gain, for that is re Mr Wood's tireless feet and ferret-like curiosity

ationwide (BBC 1, 5.55) feature the first of three films it what divers discovered when they explored the waters Britain's coastlines. Tonight, for the first time I believe, ee the ghostly remains of the Torrey Canyon, 100ft down he dreaded Seven Stones reef between Land's End and lales of Scilly.

ith Robin Cousins embarking tonight on his attempt to win rld title (BBC 1, 10.05), this seems an ideal chance to rt that 3,700,000 television viewers sat up into the early s of February 22 to watch him striking Olympic gold. 1't think other statisticians have worked out yet how many ing hours were lost that day as a result.

rciting music on Radio 3 (8.00) : the BBC SO under destyensky playing Tippett's electrifying Sympliony No. 2. our old friends The Planets. The Tippett work is the one the tricky first movement—so tricky that, at its premiere armance in 1958, the BBC SO broke down and had to a new start. Maureen O'Brien, a thrilling Cressida in 0.3's stereo production last week, stars in today's Radio 4 (3.15) Nicky, about a boy who never was. Peter Myers

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# **Broadcasting Guide**

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#### BBC 1

BBC 2

6.40 am Open University: Curriculum design and development; 7.0 Reading development; 7.30 Inter-

9.05 For Schools, Colleges: Engineering; 9.35 It's Maths (tessellations); 9.58 Let's Go; 10.12 Words nons); 9.58 Let's Go; 10.12 Words and Pictures; 11.62 Everyday Maris. 11.25 You and Me: aciou (for the very young). 11.40 For Schools, Colleges: Resource Units 11-13 English (Eye to pen to paper); 12.65 pm Russian-Lan-guage and People: Part 9 (cating and drinking: repeat). Close down at 12.30.

at 12.30, 12.45 News and weather. 1.00 Pebble Mill at One: More ideas on Indian cooking, and an outside broadcast about fire fighting through the ages.

1.45 Playboard: Puppet show for

Children. Colleges: Watch (dinosaurs); 2.18 Twentieth century history: road to Berlin; 2.40 Communicate I (comedy writing). Close down at 3.00.

6.40 am Open University: Electronic design and signals; 7.05 Cells and organisms; 7.30 Inverte-

10.20 Gharbar: Magazine for Asian women: everything from sewing and cooking to popular music and a story. Closedown at 10.45.

11.0 Play School: Same as BBC 1,

2.00 pm Racing from Cheltenham: The big event is the Queen Elizabeth, the Queen Mother, Champion Steeple Race (at 2.50). We also see the 2.15, 3.30 and 4.05 races. See also BBC 2, 7.00. Closedown at 4.20.

4.50 Open University: Structure of

9.30 For Schools: Facts for life

9.30 For Schools: Facts for the (contraception); 9.52 My World (lines); 10.10 How We Used to Live (Victorian mourning); 10.33 French (hobbies, pets); 11.04 Stop, Look, Listen (plastics); 11.16 Finding Out (Cologne); 11.36 Yorkshire Dales.

12.00 Adventures of Rupert Bear: Puppet story (r); 12.10 pm Rain-bow: safety hints for children; 12.30 The Sullivans: Australian

family stories, set in the last war.

1.30 Take the High Road: Serial about a Scottish rural community.

2.00 After Noon Plus: The financial plight of Britain's 3,000,000 widows. Interview with June Hemer, founder and organizer of

the National Association of Widows and Anthony Durant, MP. Also in the studio: exiled Soviet dissident Vladimir Bukovsky who

puts the Olympic Games in a wider context than Afghanistan.

2.45 The Outsiders: Australian

based stories, today : The con man at the hotel (Michael Craig).

3.45 Hobson's Choice: Derek Hob-

4.15 The Sooty Show: With ventri-

1.00 News. 1.20 Thames News.

3.55. Closedown at 11.25.

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nervous systems. Closedown

3.25 Children's Wardrobe : How to make a duffle coat (r).
3.55 Play School: Marion Green's story A House for a Mouse. The readers: Libby Murray and Derck Griffiths: 4.20 The Backyard: Car-Griffiths; 4.20 The Backyard: Cartoon. A Bag of Trouble; 4.25 Jack-anory: Jenny Agutter continues reading The Mill House Cat, by Marjorie-Ann Watts; 4.40 Take Hart: Tony Hart with more picture-making, for children; 5.00 John Craven's Newsround; 5.10 God's Wonderful Railway: Tales of the old GWR—ray I of Fire on of the old GWR-part 1 of Fire on

5.40 News; with Kenneth Kendall. 5.55 Nationwide; Includes the first in a new series about the undersea world round Britain's coasts (see Personal Choice). 76.50 Film: Call of the Wild (1972). The Jack Loudon story of the Yukon in the gold rush days, with Charlton Heston and a magnificent Alsatian dog amid the Alaskan

the Line.

8.30 Potter: Another comedy about a meddler (Arthur Lowe) his pals and a reformed gangster (Harry H.

this early space adventure serial. In the Claws of Tigron.\*
6.00 The Paul Daniels Magic Show: The comic-magician has, as his guests, the Morettis who demonstrate their own verson of Russian roplette. Also, in the show Teddy.

one. 7.45 In Search of Arthur : Second

Elaine Grand in After Noon

the Conservative Party.
9.16 News: with Peter Woods.
9.35 Open Secret: Normal 9.35 Open Secret: Normal
Normal. Heart transplants in
Britain. An interview with surgeon
Terence English and with patients
who have had new hearts.
10.05 Sportsnight: Robin Causins,
in Dortmund, starts his short programme for the World Figure
Skating championship title (last
lap tomorrow). Also, Charlie
Nash's preparations for his world
title lightweight fight with Jim
Watt. (See Personal Choice).
10.55 Parkinson: His guests are 10.55 Parkinson: His guests are Robert Redford, the Hollywood screen star, and Dr Billy Graham. 11.55 News headlines and weather.

9.00 Party Political Broadcast : By

Radio 4

6.30 Today.

9.00 News. 9.05 Mid-Week.

10.00 News.

11.00 News.

12.00 News.

10.30 Daily Service.

11.05 Baker's Dozen

Sun: Chequemates.

1.40 The Archers.

2.02 Woman's Hour.

1.00 The World at One.

3.02 Listen with mother.

5.00 PM News Magazine.

12.55 Weather.

2.00 News.

3.00 News.

5.55 Weather.

6.30 My Music.+ 7.00 News.

7.05 The Archers.

7.20 Checkpoint.

8.45 File On 4.

Orchestra (5).†

12.00 News.

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11.00 A Book at Bedrime. 11.15 Financial World Tonight. 11.30 Today in Parliament.

.50 am Regional news, weather. 7.50 Regional news, weather. 7.50 Regional news, weather. 9.05-10.30 Schools: History in Evi-dence; Advanced Studies; Poetry

Corner; Musicmakers; Something to Think About.

9.30 Kaleidoscope 9.59 Weather, 10.00 News.

6.00 News.

12.62 pm You and Yours.

10.45 Story Time.

6.00 am News Briefing. 6.10 Farming.

8.35 Yesterday in Parliament.

10.05 Gardeners' Question Time,

12.27 Plays: Out in the Midday

3.15 Play: Nicky, by Peter Myers.†

John's College, Cambridge.†

4.45 Story: The Roadsweepers.

4.00 Choral Evensong from St

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tions (see Personal Choice). To-8.25 Arena : Rudies Come Back. A and The Selecter, who perform 2-tone music, which is a mixture of strate their own verson of Kushan roulette. Also in the show, Teddy Periro and Patriclo playing their Argentine game boleadoros.
6.30 The Master Game: The final round of this chess tournament has been reached. John Nuon, of Great Britain, plays Helmot Pfieger of West Germany. reggae and punk, rock and soul. 9.00 Thérèse Raquin : Part one a 9.08 Therese Raquin: Part one a splendid adaptation of Zola's passionate novel about murder and infidelity in Paris 1875 (see Personal Choice). 9.55 The King's Singers: The choral group span 100 years of music. Their guests are Hinge and Racket

comedies, starring the Setback family. About people's rights at work. 6.35 Crossroads: Motel serial. Straight talk for Adam Chance. 7.00 This is Your Life: Eamonn Andrews springs another surprise

7.30 Coronation Street: Is Dan, the

lorry driver, the right man for Elsie Tanner? 8.00 Bernard Manning: The heavyweight Manchester comedian and singer in a one-man show which illustrates the high and low points of his career.

9.00 ITV Playhouse: Visitors for Anderson, Drama, by Tony Parker, about a wife and son on their way to visit a jailed husband (Desmond McNamara) and the impact of that failing on the wife (Gabrielle Lloyd).

10.00 Party Political Broadcast : By the Conservative Party.
10.10 News at Ten
10.40 Sports Special: Robin
Cousins in the World Ice Skating
Championships from Dortmund in
Germany; Gold top Gymnastics
from Wembley Arena.
11.45 Superstar profile: Film
director Mel Brooks.
12.15 and Close: Anna Road Party 12.15 am Close: Anna Ford read Hilaire Belloc's poem The Moon's

Bracket.
10.45 Party Political Broadcast:
Same as BBC 1, 9.00.
10.55 Newsnight: News and current affairs programme. With news bulletin at 11.15 approximately.
11.40 Open Door: The public's own TV spot. Bath Arts Workshop and their "independent nation" called Walcot. Ends at 12.15 am.

7,00 Racing: Highlights from today's racing at Chelrenham (see BBC 2, 2.00).
7.10 News: with sub-titles for the hard of hearing. 7.20 Mr Smith's Rock Garden: Geoffrey Smith shows how to build of Michael Wood's outstanding 5.40 Flash Gordon: Episode 13 of pre-Norman Conquest investiga-Ioquist Dawson Chance and his talking tortoise. 4.45 The Life and Times of Grizzly Adams: The chimpanzee and the old sea captain. 5.45 News. 6.00 Thames News. 6.25 Heip! First in a series of short

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10.45-12.20 Schools: The Music Box; By the People, for the People; Inquiry; Quest. 2.06-3.00 pm Schools: Movement and Drama I; Books, Plays, Poems;

Nature. 5.50 Regional news, weather. 11.00 Study on 4: Sur le vif (19). 11.30-12.00 Open University: Technology for Teachers; Music Inter-

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Radio 3 6.55 am Weather. 7.00 News.

7.05 Your Midweek Choice, 1: Handel, Corelli, Dittersdorf.; 8.00 News. 8.05 Your Midweek Choice, part 2: Henselt, Sullivan, Welli.† 9.00 News. 9.65 Week's Composers: At the

9.45 Organ: Tournemire.† 10.35 London Studio Strings: Pur-cell, Langford, Elgar, Jacob.† 11.10 Piano: Scarlatti, Debussy, Beethoven.+ 11.55 Wagner and Sibelius.

1.05 Concert: Philips, Rosen-müller, Biber, Schmelzer, Pachel-bel, Muffat.† 1.00 pm News. 2.00 Music Weekly.† 2.50 British Music : Lipkin, Jones, 3.40 Song recital: Goethe set-

4.20 Aspects of the Blues (5). 7.45 The Profession of Intelligence 4.55 News. 5.00 Mainly for Pleasure. 7.00 Music Now. 7.45 Clavichord: Pachelbel, Zipoli, Peerson, Farnaby, Henry VIII. 8.06 Rozhdestvensky and BBC SO, 10.30 The Life and Times of The

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6.00 am-7.00 Open University:
Maths; Architecture and Design;
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Moore,† 7.32 Terry Wogan,† 10.03;
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Much More Music,† 5.00 News,
5.05 Waggoners' Walk, 5.20 Much
More Music,† 6.03 Derek Hobson,†
6.02 Listen to the Band, 8.45 Ajan;
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9.55 Sports Desk, 10.02 The News
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11.02 Brian Matthew, 2.02-5.00 am
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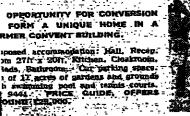
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"—Jeremiah 23: 50.

#### BIRTHS

AMIES.—On 8th March at the South · London Hospital, to Margaret and John—a daughter (Ann), a sister for Jenniter. ASHLEY.—To Clery and Martin—

March.

MUDAS.—On 4th March at Leicester Royal Infirmary. To Rae 1 nee
Clark: and Robert—— daughter
(Flour Elizabeth Alisa). A bister
for Tanzen and Nathan.

BIDAS.—On March 10th 1980, at
Enson: Surrey, to Fran (nee
Holland: and Henry—— son
Adrian Henry), a brother lor
Alexandra.

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BEVAN.—To Charles and Louise— a daughter (Julia Clarer, on Fobruary 11st 1980.

BRENNAN.—On 25rd February 1980, to Royake ince Talkis and Stueri—a daughter (Joanna Marieti).

GOATMAN.—On Rib March at Pembury Hospital to Anne ince Marylori and Keith—a daughter (Glaire Louise), a sister for Enuma Jane.

The Times Crossword Puzzle No 15,171

ACROSS

1 Fellow has hankering to get a paint-brush (5).
4 A let-down if it opens—or doesn't (9).

4 Assumed to have adopted attitude about it (7).
5 Colourful way Apollo warned the shepherds (4-3).
6 Can turn over in the mind (5).

9 Between the two of them 7 Patriotism in the interior

s Between the two of them bride is carried over threshold (9).

10 But so rough a diamond is not rudely ignored (5).

11 Trick is to take leave here in Africa (5).

12 Horrid creature leaving poor aunt in embarrassing altar situation (9).

13 Beam in a colour feature as ordered (7).

15 Posnier in astro-navigation?

16 Sting folk out for playing by the sea (4-5).

17 Ginger's description of cattle? (3-6).

18 Lover and his lass? Sounds so artificial (3-4).

20 A cricketer's holding it up in defence (7).

15 Pointer in astro-navigation? 20 A cricketer's holding it up in defence (7).

18 Not long one of the law? 21 No gendeman soldier in this it could be rigged (4-3).

20 Assuaged, everyone agreed with skipper (7).

21 Part of old Spain, see, in Sicillan port (9).

23 Catch girl with nothing on (5).

25 Got coal in return for such material (5).
26 London heauty announced literary pseudonym (5, 4).

27 Repealed law liaving point

and precision (9).
28 Thus the cover is sound (5).

1 Trustae—fraud in city is out
—isn't dismissed (9).
2 The Thunderer has a point,
a painful one (5).
3 Happy toil of Hercules involved her (9).

Solution of Puzzle No 15,170

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PULLINGER.—On 3nd March, In Philippa inee Kennedy; and John —a daughter (Ratharine Safa).

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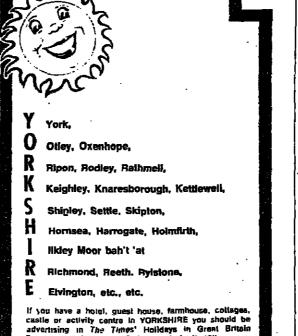
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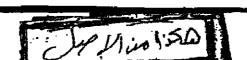
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